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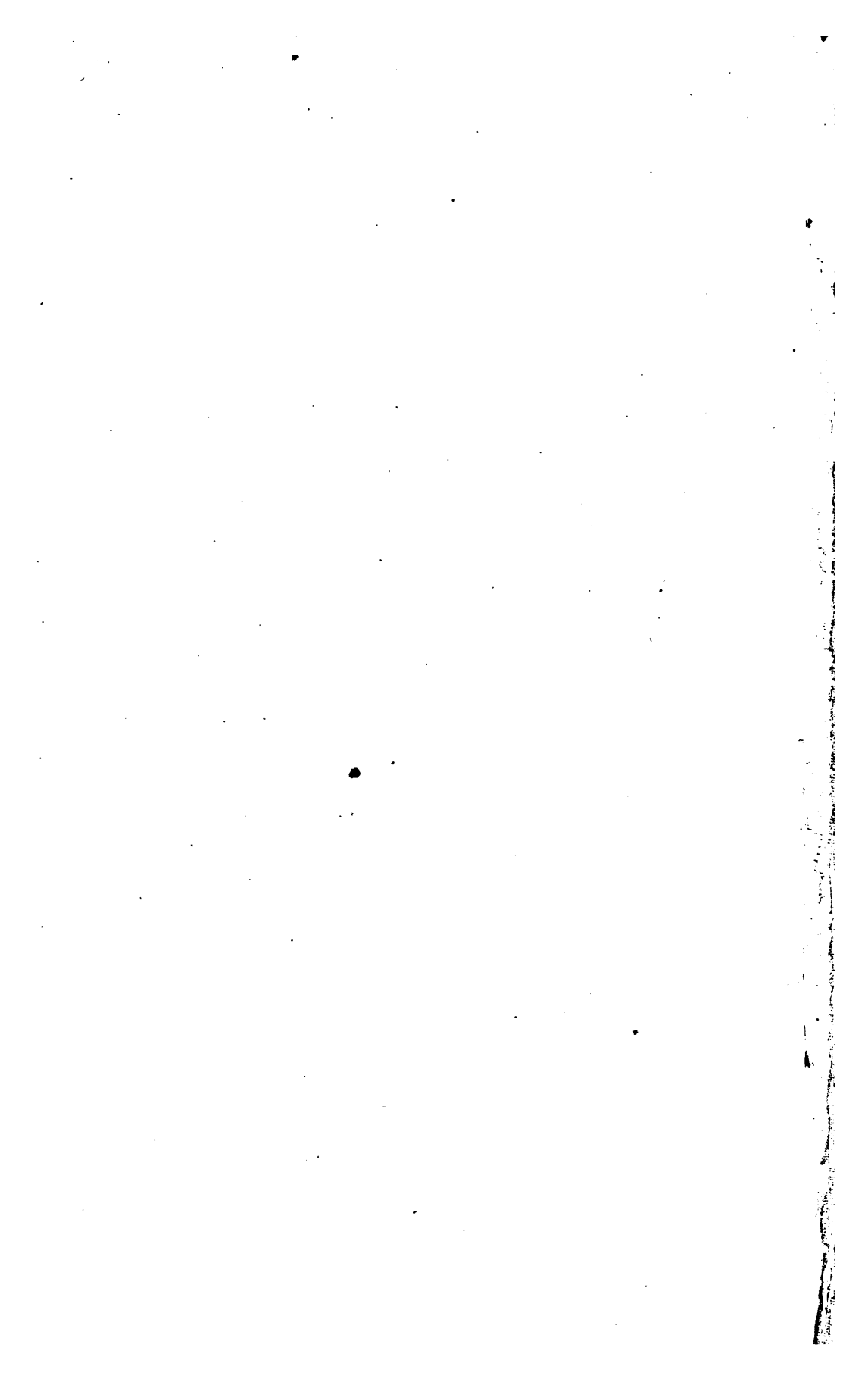
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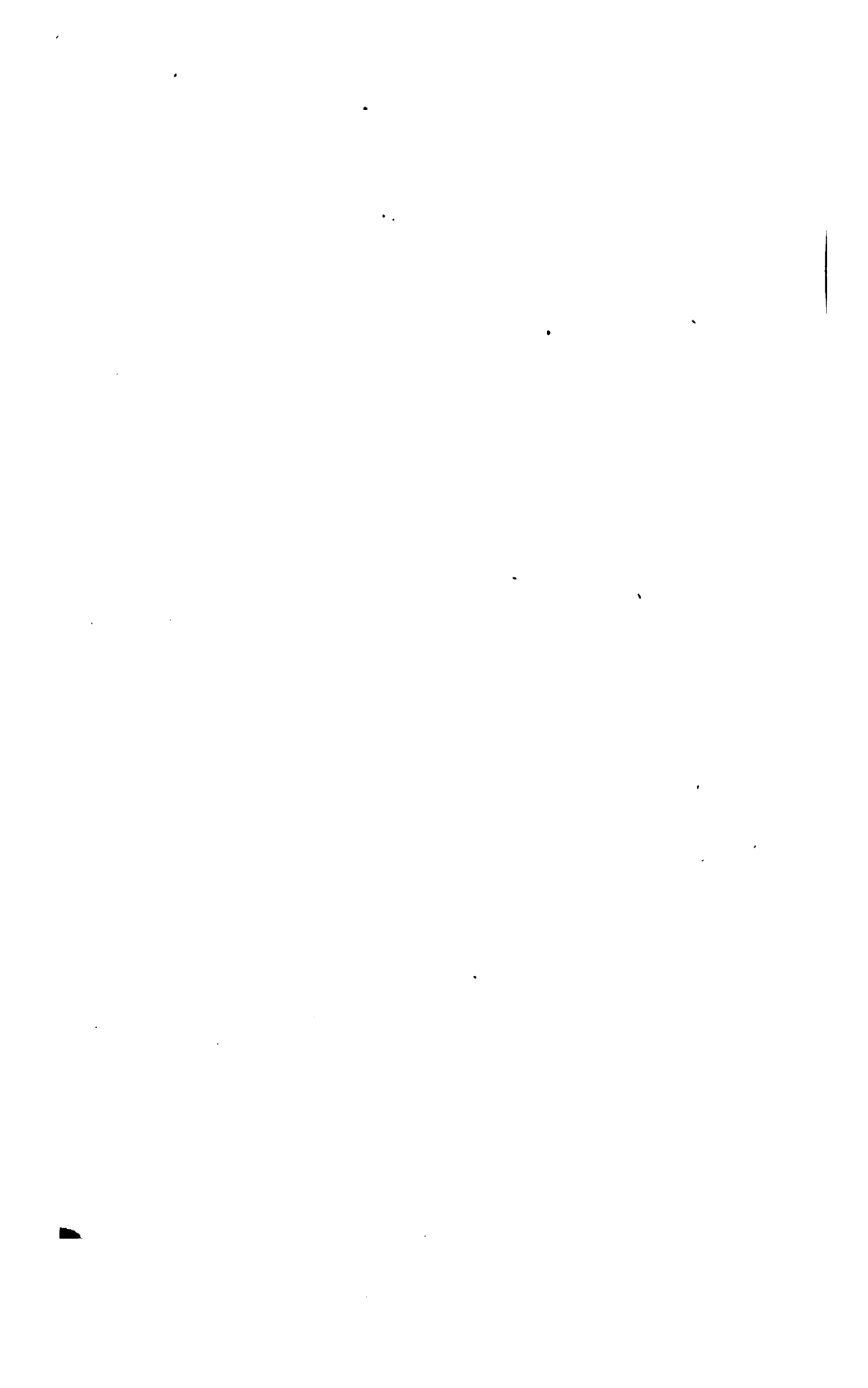
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CHAPTER 714.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 444 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1897, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 295, SECTION 12, OF THE GENERAL LAWS."

Passed Feb. 7, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 444 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session, A. D. 1897, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Section 12 of Chapter 295 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'SEC. 12. The fees of sheriffs, deputy-sheriffs, town sergeants and constables shall be as follows:

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For every page of one hundred words of such inventory.....	15
If the damage laid in a writ of arrest, attachment, or replevin be over five hundred dollars, in	

addition one-twentieth of one per centum for all sums over.

For every return on a writ, setting forth that the defendant cannot be found, or that no goods and chattels and real estate and shares in any banking association and personal estate in the hands of a trustee, or either, as the writ shall command the attachment thereof, can be found. 50

For serving an execution, when the money due thereon is collected or paid during commitment, and does not exceed four dollars. 30

If above four dollars and not exceeding seven. 40

If above seven dollars and not exceeding twenty dollars. 60

If above twenty dollars and not exceeding fifty dollars. 1 00

If above fifty dollars and not exceeding one hundred dollars. 1 50

If above hundred dollars and not exceeding two hundred dollars. 2 00

If above two hundred dollars, two dollars and one-tenth of one per centum; none of the less sums to be included in the greater.

For serving an execution by levy on real estate. 50

For serving an execution by levy on personal estate, the same as for serving a writ by attachment of like property.

For serving all executions where the money due thereon is collected or paid during commitment, and does not exceed four dollars. 30

For committing a person on execution. 1 00

For delivering possession of lands while actually employed, by the day. 1 00

For advertising real or personal estate to be sold at auction. 1 00

For advertising every adjournment of the same. 50

For selling at public auction real or personal estate, if sold for one hundred and fifty dollars or under, two per centum.

If sold for over one hundred and fifty dollars

and under three hundred dollars, one and one-half per centum.

On all sums over three hundred dollars and under one thousand dollars, one per centum, and all over one thousand dollars, ten dollars and one-tenth of one per centum in addition, to be computed on the amount of the sales, and none of the less sums to be included in the greater.

For serving a subpoena on a witness, if not more than one mile from the place of appearance..... 50

For serving a divorce citation..... 2 00

For travel per mile to serve a subpoena or writ, to be computed from the place where the same is returnable; and if more than one person is named therein, the travel shall be computed from the place of service which shall be nearest, adding thereto the extra travel which shall be necessary to serve it on the others..... 10

For serving a warrant or capias in a criminal case and conveying the prisoner to court, if not more than one mile..... 60

For every original commitment of a prisoner in such case to any jail or to the state prison or other place of commitment..... 70

For every subsequent commitment on same complaint..... 25

For travel with a prisoner in custody in such case to court, county jail, or to the state prison or other place of commitment, per mile..... 20

For attending a district court by the day, in a criminal case..... 50

For attendance by sheriffs upon either division of the supreme court, and upon the district courts of the sixth, eleventh, and twelfth judicial district, each, whether sitting at the same time or not, by the day..... 3 00

For actual attendance by deputy-sheriffs, other officers and waiters, by the day..... 2 00

For attending the district court of the tenth judicial district, by the week..... 2 00

The fees of sheriffs and deputy-sheriffs for serving writs and executions in scire facias against bail in criminal cases shall be the same as above provided for similar service of writs and executions in civil cases; and when the amount of such fees shall be certified to the state auditor by the clerk of the court to which such writ or execution shall be returned, the state auditor shall draw his order upon the general treasurer in favor of the sheriff or deputy-sheriff who shall have served such writ or execution for the amount of such fees."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 715.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 180 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF MANUFACTURING CORPORATIONS."

Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Chapter 180 of the General Laws is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Every such company, if organized under chapter 176, may increase or decrease its capital stock in the manner provided by sections 7 and 8 of chapter 176; and every such company organized otherwise than under chapter 176 may, by vote, increase or reduce its capital stock within the limits authorized by its charter, but the increase or decrease in any case shall only be had upon the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the whole capital stock, passed at a meeting of the corporation duly called for that purpose; and on the question of increase or decrease, as on all other questions arising at any meeting of shareholders of any such corporation now or hereafter existing, all outstanding shares shall have equal voting rights. In case of any decrease of capital stock, as

Of increase or
decrease of
capital stock.

above provided, a certified copy of the vote effecting the same shall, within ten days after its passage, be recorded as provided in section 2, and in default thereof the directors of the company shall be jointly and severally liable for all debts of the company contracted after said ten days, and before the recording of the copy of the vote as aforesaid."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 716.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Annual appropriations for the support of the state government.

SECTION 1. The following sums or so much thereof as may be authorized by law are hereby appropriated to the objects hereinafter expressed, for the fiscal year ending on the thirty-first day of December, 1900, to be paid out of the several appropriations herein mentioned; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders for such portion thereof as may be required from time to time, upon the receipt by him of properly authenticated vouchers.

SALARIES.

To the governor, three thousand dollars.	\$3,000 00
To the lieutenant-governor, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
To the secretary of state, thirty-five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00
To the attorney-general, forty-five hundred dollars.....	4,500 00
To the general treasurer, twenty-five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00

To ex-chief justices and chief justice of the supreme court, fifty-five hundred dollars each, and to the associate justices thereof, five thousand dollars each.....	46,500 00
To the state auditor, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
To the insurance commissioner, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the commissioner of public schools, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
To the assistant attorney-general, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
To the reporter of the decisions of the supreme court, twelve hundred dollars....	1,200 00
To the commissioners of shell fisheries, three hundred dollars each, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
To the railroad commissioner, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the state sealer of weights, measures, and balances, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
To the librarian of the law library, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the secretary of state, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
To the clerks of the state auditor, three thousand three hundred and fifty dollars..	3,350 00
To the clerk of the commissioner of public schools, seven hundred and fifty dollars.	750 00
To the clerk of the general treasurer, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
To the sheriff of the county of Newport, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
To the sheriffs of the counties of Bristol, Kent, and Washington, four hundred dollars each.....	1,200 00
To the crier of the courts in Providence county, seven hundred dollars.....	700 00
To the clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, county of Providence, twenty-five hundred dollars	2,500 00

Annual appropriations (continued).

Annual appro-
priations (con-
tinued).

To the assistant clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, county of Providence, eighteen hundred dollars.....	1,800 00
To the additional assistant clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, county of Providence, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Providence, twenty-five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
To the assistant clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Providence, eighteen hundred dollars...	1,800 00
To the clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, county of Newport, seven hundred and fifty dollars.....	750 00
To the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Newport, ten hundred and fifty dollars.....	1,050 00
To the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Bristol, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
To the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Kent, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, county of Washington, seven hundred and fifty dollars.....	750 00
To the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, county of Washington, seven hundred and fifty dollars.. . . .	750 00
To the justice of the district court of the first judicial district, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the district court of the first judicial district, one thousand dollars.	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the second judicial district, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the third judicial district, eleven hundred dollars.....	1,100 00

To the justice of the district court of the fourth judicial district, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the district court of the fourth judicial district, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
To the justice of the district court of the fifth judicial district, one thousand dollars.	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the sixth judicial district, three thousand dollars	3,000 00
To the clerk of the district court of the sixth judicial district, two thousand five hundred dollars, and eight hundred dollars additional for extra clerk hire.....	3,300 00
To the justice of the district court of the seventh judicial district, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the eighth judicial district, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the district court of the eighth judicial district, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
To the justice of the district court of the ninth judicial district, one thousand dollars.	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the tenth judicial district, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the district court of the tenth judicial district, eight hundred dollars.	800 00
To the justice of the district court of the eleventh judicial district, one thousand dollars..	1,000 00
To the clerk of the district court of the eleventh judicial district, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the justice of the district court of the twelfth judicial district, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the clerk of the district court of the twelfth judicial district, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00

Annual appropriations (continued).

Annual appropriations (continued).

To the commissioner of dams and reservoirs, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
To the adjutant-general, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
To the quartermaster-general, ten hundred dollars.....	1,000 00
To the assistant adjutant-general of the state, two hundred and fifty dollars.....	250 00
For the payment of salary of the assistant adjutant-general of the brigade of Rhode Island militia, two hundred and fifty dollars.....	250 00
To the secretary of state board of soldiers' relief, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
To the factory inspectors, fifteen hundred dollars each, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
To the commissioner of industrial statistics, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
To the clerk of the insurance commissioner, one thousand five hundred dollars..	1,500 00
To the secretary of the appellate division of the supreme court, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
To the members of the board of harbor commissioners, three, at six hundred dollars each.....	1,800 00
To the secretary of the state board of health, seventeen hundred dollars.....	1,700 00

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE.

For clerical assistance in the office of the adjutant-general, fifteen hundred dollars...	1,500 00
For additional clerical assistance in the office of insurance commissioner, sixteen hundred dollars.....	1,600 00
For extra clerk hire in the office of secretary of state, twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
For additional clerical assistance in the office of secretary of state, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
For clerical assistance for assistant ad-	

jutant-general, brigade Rhode Island militia, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	Annual appro- priations (con- tinued).
For additional clerical assistance for clerk of common pleas division, supreme court, Providence county, fifteen hundred dollars.	1,500 00	
For clerical assistance for the quarter- master-general, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00	
For clerk of the commissioners of shell fisheries, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	
For clerical assistance for the clerk of the appellate division of the supreme court, Newport county, one hundred and fifty dol- lars.....	150 00	
For clerical assistance for the clerk of the common pleas division of the supreme court, Newport county, one hundred and fifty dol- lars.....	150 00	
For additional clerical assistance for gen- eral treasurer, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00	
For clerical assistance for clerk of the district court of the first judicial district, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
For clerk hire and incidental expenses for law library, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	

EXPENSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

For the pay and mileage of the members of the general assembly, sixteen thousand dollars.....	16,000 00
For the pay of the clerks of the general assembly, three thousand dollars.....	3,000 00
For the pay of the clerks of the commit- tees of the general assembly, sixty-six hun- dred dollars.....	6,600 00
For the pay of the pages of the house of representatives and pages for the senate, fifteen hundred dollars.....	1,500 00
For the pay of sheriffs and deputies for attendance upon the general assembly, two thousand five hundred dollars.....	2,500 00
For stationery and stamps for general	

Annual appropriations (continued).

assembly, to be expended under the direction of the secretary of state, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
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FOR JUDICIAL EXPENSES.

For the payment of jurors' fees, forty thousand dollars.	40,000 00
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For the payment of officers' fees in the appellate and common pleas divisions of the supreme court, provided that only actual attendance be paid for, thirty thousand dollars.....	30,000 00
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For payment of witnesses' fees in the appellate and common pleas divisions of the supreme court, twenty-five thousand dollars....	25,000 00
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For incidental expenses of the appellate and common pleas divisions of the supreme court, three thousand five hundred dollars.	3,500 00
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For payment of officers' fees in district courts, eighteen thousand dollars.....	18,000 00
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For the payment of witnesses' fees in district courts, seven thousand dollars....	7,000 00
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For traveling expenses, etc., of the justices of the supreme court, the attorney-general, the assistant attorney-general, and stenographic clerks of said court, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00
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For payment of officers' fees in criminal cases, nine thousand dollars..	9,000 00
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EDUCATION.

For public schools, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, the apportionment by schools to be paid on and after July 15, 1900, and the residue December 15, 1900..	120,000 00
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For public schools as provided by sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 544 of the public laws, twenty thousand dollars..	20,000 00
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For expenses of examinations as provided

by section 10 of chapter 544 of the public laws, two thousand five hundred dollars...	2,500 00	Annual appropriations (continued).
For the support of the Rhode Island state normal school, fifty-seven thousand five hundred dollars.....	57,500 00	
For traveling expenses of the pupils of the Rhode Island state normal school, two thousand dollars.....	2,000 00	
For teachers' institutes, for defraying the expenses of procuring teachers and lecturers, to be holden under the direction of the commissioner of public schools, five hundred dollars.....	500 00	
For lectures and addresses, to be expended under the direction of the board of education, three hundred dollars.....	300 00	
For evening schools, six thousand dollars	6,000 00	
The Rhode Island school of design, three thousand five hundred dollars.....	3,500 00	
For purchase of school apparatus, four thousand dollars.....	4,000 00	
For the education of blind and imbecile children, fourteen thousand dollars.....	14,000 00	

FOR FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Seven thousand dollars 7,000 00

FOR STATE HOME AND SCHOOL.

Twenty-one thousand dollars, in addition to such sums as may be received by said state home and school from the sale of products from the farm of said home and school..... 21,000 00

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE INDIGENT INSANE.

Ten thousand dollars..... 10,000 00

Annual appro-
priations (con-
tinued).

STATE PRINTING.

For printing the schedules, the annual reports of the several state boards and offices, all printing ordered by the general assembly, and such other printing as may be required by the several state boards and offices, thirty-five thousand dollars..... 35,000 00

STATE BINDING.

For binding the schedules, the annual reports of state boards and officers, all reports, etc., ordered bound by the general assembly, and such other reports and documents as may be required by the several state boards and offices, seven thousand dollars..... 7,000 00

ADVERTISING AND PUBLISHING PUBLIC LAWS.

For publishing the public laws in the newspapers, and such other advertising as may be required, when certified and approved by the secretary of state, ten thousand dollars..... 10,000 00

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

For militia and military affairs, thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars..... 37,500 00
For armory rents of the militia, six thousand dollars..... 6,000 00
For heating and lighting armories, thirty-three hundred dollars..... 3,300 00
For storage and care of militia equipment 700 00

FACTORY INSPECTORS.

For expenses of factory inspectors, six hundred dollars..... 600 00

INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS.

Annual appro-
priations (con-
tinued).

For expenses of commissioner of industrial statistics, three thousand dollars..... 3,000 00

SECRETARY OF STATE BOARD OF SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

For necessary expenses of the secretary of the state board of soldiers' relief, twelve hundred dollars.. 1,200 00

STATE RECORD COMMISSIONER.

For expenses of the state record commissioner, six hundred dollars..... 600 00

UNIFORMITY OF LEGISLATION.

For expenses of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation, three hundred and fifty dollars..... 350 00

FOR COURT HOUSES AND JAILS.

For repairs of the following public buildings, court houses and jails, and for furniture, fixtures, and supplies for the same:

State house in Providence, one thousand dollars; court house in Providence, three thousand dollars..... 4,000 00

Other state offices in Providence county, fifteen hundred dollars..... 1,500 00

State house and jail in Newport county, one thousand dollars..... 1,000 00

Court houses, jails, and record office in Washington county, four hundred dollars.. 400 00

Court house and jail in Kent county, three hundred and fifty dollars..... 350 00

Court house and jail in Bristol county, three hundred and fifty dollars..... 350 00

Annual appropriations (continued).

Court house in Woonsocket, five hundred dollars..... 500 00

FOR JAILS AND JAILERS.

For jailers' fees and for board of persons confined in jail, except in Providence county, three thousand dollars..... 3,000 00

FOR FUEL AND GAS.

For fuel and gas for the several court houses and the public offices, to be certified by the sheriffs of the several counties, five thousand five hundred dollars..... 5,500 00

FOR RENTS.

For the payment of rents of the various public offices, and for rooms of district courts, six thousand five hundred dollars.. 6,500 00

For the care of rooms for the several district courts, one thousand dollars..... 1,000 00

FOR STATE LIBRARY.

For purchase and binding of books and documents, two hundred and fifty dollars.. 250 00

FOR LAW LIBRARY.

Three thousand dollars..... 3,000 00

FOR RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Fifteen hundred dollars..... 1,500 00

FOR NEWPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Five hundred dollars..... 500 00

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FOR ORDERS OF THE GOVERNOR.

Annual appropriations (continued).

For payment of the orders of the governor, five thousand dollars.....	5,000 00
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FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE GOVERNOR.

Twelve hundred dollars.....	1,200 00
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FOR THE CLERK OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Five hundred dollars.....	500 00
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FOR STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Six thousand dollars.....	6,000 00
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FOR CARE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

For two persons to take charge of the state house at Providence, and the offices therein, eighteen hundred dollars.....	1,800 00
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For a person to take charge of the state house at Newport, four hundred dollars...	400 00
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For care of Providence county court house, six thousand two hundred dollars...	6,200 00
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For a person to act as watchman of the public offices in the Elizabeth building, eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
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For a person to act as messenger and janitor of the public offices in the Elizabeth building, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
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For a person to act as janitor of the Woonsocket court house, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
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For a person to act as watchman of the Woonsocket court house, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
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For a person to act as janitor of Newport county jail, five hundred dollars.....	500 00
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Annual appropriations (continued).

FOR BOARD OF STATE CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in addition to the moneys received by them which shall have have been paid into the treasury as provided in section 20, chapter 29, of the General Laws, which moneys are hereby appropriated for their use, excepting so much thereof as may be received for fines and costs. 250,000 00

For the society for the prevention of cruelty to children, twenty-five hundred dollars. 2,500 00

For the prisoners' aid association, five hundred dollars. 500 00

For the state board of agriculture, twenty thousand dollars. 20,000 00

For the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, one thousand dollars... 1,000 00

For the Providence Lying-in-Hospital, two thousand five hundred dollars. 2,500 00

FOR MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

For miscellaneous expenses and other expenses not provided for by this act, fifteen thousand dollars. 15,000 00

For accounts allowed by the general assembly, fifteen thousand dollars. 15,000 00

For care of soldiers' and sailors' monument in Providence, fifty dollars. 50 00

For care of Perry monument at Newport, thirty dollars. 30 00

For care of Stephen Hopkins monument, twenty-five dollars. 25 00

FOR PAYMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND CORONERS.

Five thousand dollars. 5,000 00

FOR EXPENSES ENFORCING LAWS OF THE STATE RELAT-
ING TO SHELL FISHERIES.

Annual appro-
priations (con-
tinued).

Twelve hundred dollars..... 1,200 00

FOR PAYMENT OF FINES IN CERTAIN CASES.

Two thousand dollars..... 2,000 00

STATE REGISTRAR.

For the state registrar, for making an annual abstract and report of the registration of births, marriages, and deaths, to be paid on approval of secretary of state, one thousand dollars..... 1,000 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF FUND.

For the relief of Union soldiers, sailors and marines, etc., twelve thousand dollars. 12,000 00

SOLDIERS' HOME FUND.

For the support and maintenance of the soldiers' home and the inmates thereof, twenty thousand dollars..... 20,000 00

FOR THE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE R. I. COL-
LEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS.

Fifteen thousand dollars..... 15,000 00

FOR THE SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE R. I. IN-
STITUTE FOR THE DEAF.

Nineteen thousand dollars, in addition to the moneys received by them which shall have been paid into the treasury 19,000 00

Annual appropriations (continued).

For stationery, fuel, rent, and supplies for commissioners of pilots, one hundred dollars.....	100 00
For the payment of interest on state house bonds, seventy-six thousand five hundred dollars.....	76,500 00
For the payment of interest on moneys borrowed on account of military and naval expenses, "war with Spain.".....	8,500 00
For watchman at camp R. I. militia, six hundred dollars.....	600 00
For annual payment to the sinking fund for the redemption of "state house bonds," thirty-two thousand dollars.....	32,000 00

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 717.

Passed Feb. 9, 1900.

AN ACT MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON THE 31st DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Allowance for extra clerk hire in office of clerk of sixth district court.

SECTION 1. The following sum or so much thereof as may be necessary and authorized by law is hereby appropriated to the object hereinafter expressed, in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated for the support of the state for the fiscal year ending on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1900; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for such portion thereof as may be required from time to time, upon receipt by him of properly authenticated vouchers:

For extra clerk hire in the office of the clerk of the district court of the sixth judicial district, seven hundred dollars.....	\$700 00
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SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 718.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE REPRINTING OF THE R. I. MANUAL AND SUNDRY ANNUAL REPORTS OF STATE BOARDS AND OFFICERS.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The sum of \$10,000.00 in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for state printing is hereby appropriated for the year ending December 31, 1900, for the reprinting of the R. I. Manual and sundry annual reports of state boards and officers recently destroyed by fire; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of the same from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon receipt by him of proper vouchers.

Additional appropriation for certain printing.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 719.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 5 OF CHAPTER 63 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL, TEACHERS' INSTITUTES, AND LECTURES."

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 63 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. The trustees of the normal school may pay to each pupil who shall reside within the state who shall have been duly admitted thereto, and who shall have attended the regular sessions of said school and complied with the regulations thereof during the term next preceding such payments, not exceeding fifteen dollars for each quarter year for traveling expenses; but such payments in the aggregate for such traveling expenses shall not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars in any one year, and shall be made

Traveling expenses of pupils may be paid, when.

to the respective pupils entitled to the same in proportion to the distance they may reside from said school."

SEC. 2. Chapter 419 of the Public Laws, passed at the September session, A. D. 1896, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 720.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 87, TITLE XIII, OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11 of Chapter 87, of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

To report annually to the general assembly.

"SEC. 11. The said board of control shall annually report to the general assembly, at its January session, upon the condition of the school, the number of inmates thereof, the expenditures for the year, and their estimates for the year ensuing, together with such other matters as may seem desirable."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 721.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 243 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF TRIALS."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8 of Chapter 243 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Of issues of fact in equity; to be tried by jury, where and when; and on depositions, when; and of practice therein.

"SEC. 8. In equity causes the appellate division may frame issues of fact to be tried by a jury, as the division in its discretion may deem advisable; other-

wise all equity cases shall be tried in the appellate division of the supreme court on depositions, excepting such cases as the division shall allow to be tried on oral evidence. Such issues of fact so tried by a jury, in causes in said division in Providence county, shall be sent to the common pleas division sitting in said county, for assignment on the first Monday of the month (exclusive of August and September) the first Monday of which occurs next after twenty days from such order; and in Newport or Washington county, to the first session of the common pleas division therein the first day of which occurs next after twenty days from such order: *Provided*, however, that such issues of fact in causes in the appellate division in Providence county, arising in the counties of Kent or Bristol, shall be sent to the first session of the common pleas division in the county in which such cause arose the first day of which occurs next after twenty days from such order. The parties to such cause shall follow the said issues; and verdict thereon, special or general, shall be certified back to the appellate division from which such issues were sent, and shall be part of the record of said equity cause. Otherwise, the practice in the appellate division shall be according to the usual course of chancery practice."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 722.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 8 OF CHAPTER 252 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, "OF WRITS, THE FORMS THEREOF, AND WHEN ISSUABLE."

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8 of Chapter 252 of the General Laws, "Of writs, the forms thereof, and when issuable," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. Original writs from any district court duly sealed, signed, and attested, may be made re-

Original writs, including writs of replevin, from a district court, how returnable.

turnable in any other district, including writs of replevin, provided that writs of replevin shall be made returnable to the district court of the district in which the goods or chattels to be replevied are taken, attached, or detained."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 723.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF DEER.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Deer not to be
killed until Feb-
ruary 1, 1905.

SECTION 1. Whoever, before the 1st day of February, A. D. 1905, takes or kills a deer, except his own tame deer kept on his own grounds, shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars.

CHAPTER 724.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERPETUAL CARE OF BURIAL LOTS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Of the perpet-
ual care of
burial lots.

SECTION 1. Executors or administrators of solvent estates may pay to cemetery corporations, or to cities or towns having burial places therein, a reasonable sum of money for the perpetual care of the lot in which the body of their testate or intestate is buried. The probate court shall determine, after notice to all parties in interest, to whom the same shall be paid and the amount thereof, and such sum shall be allowed in final accounts of such executors or administrators.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 725.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CLERICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The clerk of the district court of the sixth judicial district is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such clerical assistance as he may require in his office in recording, indexing, and attending upon the files of said court, at an annual expense not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer in payment for such assistance to such person or persons as said clerk of said court shall employ, on vouchers approved and certified by said clerk.

Clerk of sixth
district court
authorized to
employ addi-
tional clerical
assistance.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 726.

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE BROWN AND SHARPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN BRIDGES OVER AND ACROSS BEACH AND HOLDEN STREETS IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Brown and Sharpe Manufacturing Company is hereby authorized and empowered, with the consent of the city council of the city of Providence, to build and maintain a single or double deck bridge over and across Beach street in said city, and also a single or double deck bridge over and across Holden street in said city, for the purpose of connecting and providing passageways between said company's buildings: *Provided*, that every part of such

Brown and
Sharpe Mfg. Co.
authorized to
build bridges
over and across
certain streets
in Providence.

bridges, except the posts or supports thereof, shall be at least fourteen feet above the surface of such streets.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 727.

Passed Feb. 9
1900.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT TO ISSUE CERTAIN LICENSES, CHARGE AND COLLECT FEES THEREFOR, AND PROVIDE PENALTIES.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

City council authorized to issue certain licenses, charge and collect fees therefor, and provide penalties.

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Newport is hereby authorized to provide by ordinance for the issuing of licenses to all persons selling or offering for sale any goods, wares, merchandise, ice-cream, or other articles or substances on the street, to all persons selling fruits or vegetables from carts or baskets, and to all hawkers and peddlers, in addition to the state licenses required by the provisions of Chapter 162 of the General Laws, and also for charging and collecting fees for such licenses, not to exceed fifty dollars for any one license for any one year, and also to fix by ordinance a penalty for selling or offering for sale any goods, wares, merchandise, ice-cream, or other articles or substances on the street; and for selling or offering for sale fruits or vegetables from cart or baskets, and for selling or offering for sale any articles or substances as hawkers and peddlers within the city of Newport without such licenses: *Provided, however,* that no fee shall be charged for licenses issued to any person selling religious books and publications in behalf of bible, tract, or other religious or moral societies for the purpose of promoting religious or moral improvement, and which are sold for that purpose and not for pecuniary profit, or to butchers retailing meats, or fishermen selling fish or shell-fish from carts or otherwise, or to any person peddling or selling any tow cloth, knit stockings, gloves, mits, or other articles of household manufacture, or articles manufactured with his own hands; or to any person who shall re-

ceive a license from the general treasurer in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of Chapter 162 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 622 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session A. D. 1899: *And provided further*, that this act shall not apply to milkmen, or to farmers selling the produce of their farms, or selling both the produce of their farms and the produce of other farms.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 728.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A NIGHT-WATCHMAN FOR THE NEW JAIL IN NEWPORT COUNTY.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The sum of six hundred dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the purpose of providing a night-watchman for the new jail in Newport county; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his orders on the general treasurer from time to time for said purpose, upon presentation of vouchers approved by the sheriff of Newport county.

Provision for a
night-watch-
man at the
Newport coun-
ty jail.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 729.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE FUNDING OF ITS INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED BY THE EXTENSION OF ITS WATER WORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The city of Pawtucket is hereby authorized to issue its bonds to the extent of one hundred thousand dollars upon the following accounts and in the followings sums, to wit:

City authorized
to issue \$100,000
of bonds.

Water works extension...Sixty thousand dollars.
Sewer extension.....Forty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be of such denomination, shall run for such time, not to exceed forty years from the date thereof, and shall bear such rate of interest as the city council of said city may determine; and both principal and interest shall be payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard of weight and fineness, and all other matters relating to the form of said bonds and the issue and sale thereof shall be determined by said city council.

SEC. 3. Said city council shall annually appropriate until said bonds are paid in full a sum sufficient to pay the interest thereon, and an additional sum to be placed as a sinking fund, which additional sum shall be sufficient for the redemption of said bonds when due, and all premiums arising from the sale of said bonds shall be placed to the credit of said sinking fund.

SEC. 4. All of said bonds shall be signed by the mayor and city treasurer and countersigned by the city clerk of said city, but the interest coupons on such of said bonds as shall be issued in the form of coupon bonds shall be signed by the city treasurer only.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 730.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN TO ELECT A BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Town council
authorized to
elect license
commissioners.

SECTION 1. The town council of the town of Lincoln may in the month of February, 1900, immediately after the passage of this act, elect three license commissioners who shall have and exercise within said town all the powers and duties conferred

upon license commissioners and town council by the provisions of Chapter 102 of the General Laws or by any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto. The three said commissioners shall hold office from the first Monday in March, 1900, and until their successors are elected and qualified; the first commissioner elected shall hold office for the term of three years, the second commissioner for the term of two years, and the third commissioner for the term of one year, and thereafter the said town council of the town of Lincoln shall in the month of February in each year elect a license commissioner who shall hold his office for the term of three years from the first Monday in March in the year in which he is elected, and until his successor is elected and qualified. The said commissioners shall receive such compensation, to be paid by the town, as the said town council shall determine.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 731.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 384 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED JANUARY 31, A. D. 1896, ENTITLED "AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND INTO FOUR VOTING DISTRICTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of balloting for electors of president and vice-president of the United States, for representatives to the congress thereof, governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, attorney-general, and general treasurer of the state, a senator and representatives in the general assembly, town clerk, town treasurer, town council, assessors of taxes, school committee, and district officers, the town of Cumberland is hereby divided into five voting districts, to be designated and bounded as follows, to wit: All that part of said town beginning at a state

Town divided
into voting
districts.

District No. 1.

bound in the southerly side of the road leading from Abbott's Run to Adamsdale in the dividing line between the easterly part of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, thence running westerly about one and one-third miles to a stone bound at the intersection of the northerly line of the Angell road with the middle of Jenckes' brook, thence running northwesterly about one and one-fourth miles to a stone bound at the intersection of Scott's road with the middle of Scott's brook, thence northerly to a state bound in the westerly line of the Ballou road in the dividing line between the northerly part of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, thence easterly with said dividing line to the north-east corner of Rhode Island, thence southerly with the easterly boundary line of Rhode Island to the place of beginning, shall constitute district number one. All

District No. 2.

that part of said town beginning at a stone bound at the intersection of the westerly line of Scott's road with the middle of Scott's brook, thence running southwesterly through a stone bound at the southwesterly corner of the Mendon road and the road to Albion, thence continuing the same course to the middle of the Blackstone river, thence northwesterly with the middle of said Blackstone river to the southeasterly boundary line of Woonsocket, thence northeasterly with the said boundary line to the Massachusetts boundary line, thence easterly with the said Massachusetts boundary line to a state bound in the westerly side of Ballou road, thence southerly to the place of beginning, shall constitute district number

District No. 3.

two. All that part of said town beginning at a stone bound at the intersection of the northerly line of the Angell road with the middle of Jenckes' brook, thence running northwesterly about one and one-fourth miles to a stone bound at the intersection of the westerly line of Scott's road with the middle of Scott's brook, thence running southwesterly through a stone bound at the southwesterly corner of the Mendon road and the road to Albion, thence continuing in the same course to the middle of the Blackstone river, thence southeasterly with the middle of said Blackstone river to the middle of Jenckes' brook, thence northerly with

the middle of said brook to the place of beginning, shall constitute district number three. All that part of said town beginning at the intersection of the middle line of John street with the boundary line of the town of Cumberland in the middle of the Blackstone river, thence running easterly with the said middle line of John street to its intersection with the middle line of Forest avenue, thence running northerly with the middle line of said Forest avenue to its intersection with the middle line of Kilburn street, thence running easterly with the middle line of said Kilburn street to Broad street, thence running easterly across said Broad street to the middle line of Cushing street, thence running easterly with the middle line of said Cushing street to the middle of the location of the Providence and Worcester railroad, thence running northerly with the middle line of the location of the said railroad to a point opposite the middle line of Davis street prolonged, thence running easterly with the middle line of Davis street to High street, thence running northerly with the middle line of said High street to its intersection with the middle line of Waterman street, thence running easterly with the middle line of said Waterman street and continuing the same course to the Massachusetts boundary line, thence running northerly with said boundary line about two and one-half miles to a state bound at the southerly side of the road leading from Abbott's Run to Adamsdale, thence running westerly about one and one-third miles to a stone bound at the intersection of the northerly line of the Angell road with the middle of Jenckes' brook, thence southerly with the middle of said brook to the middle of the Blackstone river, thence southerly with the middle of said Blackstone river to the place of beginning, shall constitute district number four. All that part of said town lying to the south of said district number four shall constitute district number five.

District No. 4.

District No. 5.

The polling place in district number one shall be located in the village of Diamond Hill; the polling place in district number two shall be located in the village of Cumberland Hill; the polling place in district number three shall be located in the village of

Polling places.

Ashton; the polling place in district number four shall be located in the village of Lonsdale; and the polling place in district number five shall be located in the village of Valley Falls, to be designated by the town council.

SEC. 2. At the district meetings to be held in said districts four and five the first Wednesday in April, A. D. 1900, and the first Wednesday in June, A. D. 1900, and on any day prior thereto, persons designated by said town council shall attend the meetings in each of said districts on those days, and act as moderator and clerk, respectively, of said districts.

SEC. 3. All district meetings shall be opened at nine o'clock in the forenoon and be kept open, in district numbers one, two, and three, until three o'clock; and in districts four and five until five o'clock in the afternoon.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

CHAPTER 732.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF EAST PROVIDENCE TO ASSESS A TAX.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Authorized to
assess a tax not
to exceed \$1.30
on each \$100.

SECTION 1. The town of East Providence is hereby authorized and empowered for the year 1900 to assess a tax of not to exceed one dollar and thirty cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of the ratable property of the inhabitants of said town, for the purposes not excepted in section 22 of Chapter 36 of the General Laws.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 733.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 1437 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1895, ENTITLED "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO HOLD A FINANCIAL TOWN-MEETING."

Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 1437 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session, A. D. 1895, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The electors of the town of Charlestown qualified to vote on any proposition to impose a tax or for the expenditure of money in said town shall annually on the Thursday before the last Tuesday in March assemble in town-meeting at the town hall in said town at 1 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of hearing official reports, ordering a tax, making appropriations, and transacting any other business appertaining to the financial affairs of said town.

Financial
town-meeting,
when to be
held.

Said financial town-meeting shall be warned and called and the list of electors qualified to vote therein shall be made out and canvassed in the same manner as provided by law with respect to elective town-meetings."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 734.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN TO HOLD A FINANCIAL TOWN-MEETING."

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 1438 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session, 1895, entitled "An act authorizing the town of North Kingstown

to hold a financial town-meeting," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Financial town-meeting, when to be held.

"SECTION 1. The electors of the town of North Kingstown qualified to vote on any proposition to impose a tax or for expenditure of money in said town shall annually on the third Tuesday in May assemble in town-meeting at the town hall in said town, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of hearing official reports, ordering a tax, making appropriations, and transacting any other business appertaining to the financial affairs of said town. Said financial town-meeting shall be warned and called and the lists of electors qualified to vote therein shall be made out and canvassed in the same manner as provided by law with respect to elective town-meetings."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 735.

Passed April 12, 1900.

AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF LABELS AND SEALS OF LABOR ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND SOCIETIES IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Certain trade-marks, labels, seals, designs, etc., not to be counterfeited, or imitated.

SECTION 1. Whenever any person, or any association or union of workingmen, has heretofore adopted or used, or shall hereafter adopt or use, any label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement for the purpose of designating, making known, or distinguishing any goods, wares, merchandise, or other product of labor as having been made, manufactured, produced, prepared, packed, or put on sale by such person, or association or union of workingmen, or by a member, or members, of such association or union, it shall be unlawful to counterfeit or imitate such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement, or to use, sell, offer for sale, or in any

way utter or circulate any counterfeit or imitation of any such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement.

SEC. 2. Whoever knowingly counterfeits or imitates any such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement which has been filed and recorded in the office of the secretary of state as hereinafter provided; or knowingly sells, offers for sale, or in any way utters or circulates any counterfeit or imitation of any such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement, or knowingly keeps or has in his possession, with intent that the same shall be sold or disposed of, any goods, wares, merchandise, or other product of labor to which or on which any such counterfeit or imitation is printed, painted, stamped, or impressed; or knowingly sells or disposes of any goods, wares, merchandise, or other product of labor contained in any box, case, can, or package to which or on which any such counterfeit or imitation is attached, affixed, printed, painted, stamped, or impressed; or knowingly keeps or has in his possession, with intent that the same shall be sold or disposed of, any goods, wares, merchandise, or other product of labor in any box, case, can, or package to which or on which any such counterfeit or imitation is attached, affixed, printed, painted, stamped, or impressed, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than three months.

Penalty for so doing.

SEC. 3. Every such person, association, or union that has heretofore adopted or used, or shall hereafter adopt or use, a label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement as provided in section 1 of this act, shall file the same for record in the office of the secretary of state by leaving two copies, counterparts, or facsimiles thereof, with said secretary, and by filing therewith a sworn application specifying the name or names of the person, association, or union on whose behalf such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement shall be filed; the class of merchandise, and a description of the goods to which it has been or is intended to be appropriated, stating that the party

Trade-mark, etc., to be filed in office of secretary of state.

Fee for filing.

Description to
be advertised.

so filing, or on whose behalf such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement shall be filed, has the right to the use of the same, that no other person, firm, association, union, or corporation has the right to such use, either in the identical form or in any such near resemblance thereto as may be calculated to deceive, and that the fac-simile or counterparts filed therewith are true and correct, before there shall be any liability to any suit or proceeding for any violation of this act. There shall be paid for such filing and recording a fee of one dollar. Said secretary of state shall cause a description of such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement to be published once a week for three successive weeks, at the expense of the applicant, in some newspaper published in the city of Providence. After such publication said secretary shall deliver to such person, association, or union so filing or causing to be filed any such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement so many duly attested certificates of the recording of the same as such person, association, or union may apply for, for each of which certificates said secretary shall receive a fee of one dollar. Any such certificate of record shall in all suits and prosecutions under this act be sufficient proof of the adoption of such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement. Said secretary of state shall not record for any person, union, or association any label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement that would probably be mistaken for any label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement theretofore filed by or on behalf of any other person, union, or association.

Penalty for
fraudulently
filing any label,
etc.

SEC. 4. Any person who shall, for himself or on behalf of any other person, association, or union, procure the filing of any label, trade-mark, term, design, or form of advertisement in the office of the secretary of state under the provisions of this act by making any false or fraudulent representations or declarations, verbally or in writing, or by any fraudulent means, shall be liable to pay any damages sustained in consequence of any such filing, to be recovered by or on

behalf of the party injured thereby in any court having jurisdiction, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding three months. In any suit or prosecution under the provisions of this act, the defendant may show that he or it was the owner of such label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement prior to its being filed under the provisions of this act, and that it has been filed wrongfully or without right by some other person, association, or union.

SEC. 5. Every such person, association, or union adopting or using a label, trade-mark, term, design, device, or form of advertisement, as aforesaid, may proceed by suit to enjoin the manufacture, use, display, or sale of any counterfeits, or imitations thereof, and all courts of competent jurisdiction may grant injunctions to restrain such manufacture, use, display, or sale, and may award the complainant in any such suit damages resulting from such manufacture, use, sale, or display, as may be by the said court deemed just and reasonable, and may require the defendants to pay to such person, association, or union all profits derived from such wrongful manufacture, use, display, or sale; and such court may also order that all such counterfeits or imitations in the possession or under the control of any defendant in such cause to be delivered to an officer of the court, or to the complainant, to be destroyed.

Of proceedings to enjoin the manufacture, sale, use, etc., of counterfeits or imitations.

In all cases where such association or union is not incorporated, suits under this act may be commenced and prosecuted by an officer or member of such association or union, on behalf of and for the use of such association or union.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons who shall in any way use the name or seal of any such person, association, or union, or officer thereof, in and about the sale of goods or otherwise, not being authorized to use the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than three months or by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

Penalties.

SEC. 7. The provisions of this act shall not abridge

Exceptions.

any rights to any trade-marks existing at the time of the passage of this act, whether the same shall be recorded or not, nor any remedies or rights of action otherwise or theretofore existing in favor of owners of trade-marks.

SEC. 8. The district courts of the several judicial districts shall have jurisdiction of all complaints for violations of this act.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of June, A. D. 1900, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 736.

Passed April 17,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 279 OF THE GENERAL LAWS "OF OFFENCES AGAINST PRIVATE PROPERTY."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Taking away
or maliciously
injuring grow-
ing fruit, vege-
tables, trees,
plants, shrubs,
or the build-
ings, etc., of
another, how
punished.

SECTION 1. Section 23 of Chapter 279 of the General Laws, entitled "Offences against private property," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 23. Every person who shall take and carry away, without the consent of the owner thereof, any corn, grain, fruit, or growing vegetable out of any field, garden, or orchard, or who shall wilfully and without the consent of the owner thereof root up, cut down, or otherwise injure or destroy or take and carry away any tree or underwood growing or standing upon the land of another, or shall maliciously root up, cut down, or otherwise injure or destroy any tree, root, fruit, or vegetable growing in any garden, field, orchard, highway, common, or public square, or who shall take and carry away, without the consent of the owner thereof, any cultivated plant, tree, or shrub from any graveyard or from any public or private grounds, or who shall wantonly or maliciously injure or destroy any plant or shrub growing upon the land or in the building of another, or who shall poison the earth about such plant or shrub so as to prevent or injure the

growth thereof, or who shall maliciously or wantonly in any way injure or deface any building not his own or break the glass or any part of it in any such building, or shall maliciously injure any fence on or enclosing lands not his own, shall be imprisoned not exceeding one year or be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars; and the district court shall have jurisdiction over either of the offences in this section mentioned, whenever the value of the property taken or destroyed shall not exceed the sum of twenty dollars, and may sentence the offender to imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or to be fined not exceeding twenty dollars."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 737.

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES, AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 580 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1898.

Passed April 20,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Union Railroad Company, the Pawtucket Street Railway Company and the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company may hereafter increase their capital stock from time to time, in addition to the amounts now actually issued and outstanding, which are hereby severally approved and confirmed, to meet the costs and expenditures actually made for extensions and for new construction and equipment, without reference to the amounts heretofore limited in their charters; and the cost of such extensions and improvements shall be certified by the railroad commissioner, and all issues of capital stock for such purpose shall be subject to the approval of such officer: *Provided, however*, that each of said companies shall, whenever it issues any additional capital stock as herein provided, pay to the general treasurer for the use of

Of the increase
of capital stock
of certain
street railway
companies.

the state a tax of one-tenth of one per centum of the amount of such capital stock so issued at the time.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and, as to any of said companies, whenever accepted by such company in accordance with section 7 of Chapter 580 of the Public Laws, passed at the May Session, A. D. 1898.

CHAPTER 738.

Passed April 24,
1900.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 47 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF ASSESSING AND COLLECTING POLL-TAXES."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Of the collec-
tion of poll-
taxes.

SECTION 1. In addition to the powers and authority conferred upon collectors of taxes by section 6 of Chapter 47 of the General Laws, entitled "Of assessing and collecting poll-taxes," the collectors of taxes are hereby authorized and empowered at any time and from time to time to appoint one or more special assistants to make the demand specified in said section 6, and at any time in their discretion to revoke any such appointment; and such collectors of taxes are further authorized and empowered, in case any such person shall neglect or refuse to pay said tax, unless remitted, and cost of demand within five days after such demand, as specified in said section 6, to issue his warrant to such special assistant or assistants, which warrant shall run throughout the state, directing them to levy upon the body of such person and commit him to jail in the county of Providence; and any such special assistant committing any such person shall leave a copy of such warrant attested by him with the keeper of said jail. Said special assistant for each such levy shall receive a fee of one dollar, and for each commitment thereunder a fee of one dollar and shall receive no other fees. Any such special assistant after making levy upon the body of such person and before commitment, upon receiving the amount of said tax and said costs including

the cost of said demand, shall forthwith discharge such person from arrest, and shall forthwith pay over to said collector of taxes said tax and cost of demand.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 739.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 13 OF CHAPTER 54 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF TOWNS AND OF THE TOWN TREASURER AND TOWN CLERK RELATIVE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS."

Passed April 24,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 13. The school committee of each town or city, or some person or persons whom they shall appoint for the purpose, shall annually in the month of January take a census of all persons between the ages of five and fifteen years, inclusive, residing within the limits of their respective towns on the first day of said January; and said school committee shall fix the compensation for the above service, which shall be payable from the appropriation for public schools."

School census to be taken annually, under the direction of the school committee.

CHAPTER 740.

AN ACT MAKING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON THE 31st DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1900.

Passed May 3,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The following sum or so much thereof as may be necessary and authorized by law is hereby appropriated to the object hereinafter expressed, in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated in the appropriation act for the support of the state for the

Appropriation for the Prisoners Aid Association.

fiscal year ending on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1900, and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders upon the general treasurer in favor of the treasurer of the hereinafter mentioned association, according to the terms of the act making an appropriation for the aid of the prisoners' aid association: For the prisoners' aid association, five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 741.

Passed May 3,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 187 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, "OF RAILROAD CORPORATIONS."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 29 of Chapter 187 of the General Laws is hereby amended to read as follows:

No railroad station shall be abandoned, except by permission of the railroad commissioner.

"SEC. 29. No railroad corporation shall abandon any railroad station which is on its road and in this state after the same has been established for twelve months, except by permission of the railroad commissioner; but such corporation may establish stations to be used only during such months of each year, and for such trains, as they may designate by notice put up and maintained in some conspicuous place at the stations so established, specifying the months during which the said station will be used."

CHAPTER 742.

Passed May 3,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 283 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AND OF ANY ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF OR IN ADDITION THERETO.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 22 of Chapter 283 of the General Laws is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 22. Any person not a member respectively of the Society of the Cincinnati; Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution; Society of the War of 1812; Aztec Club of 1847; Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; Grand Army of the Republic; Sons of Veterans, United States of America; Women's Relief Corps; Ladies' Aid Society; National Association of Naval Veterans of the United State; Society of the Army of the Potomac; Society Army of the Cumberland; Society of the Army of Ohio; Society of the Army of Tennessee; Society of the Burnside Expedition; Society of the Ninth Army Corps; Sons of the Revolution; and Spanish-American War Veterans, who shall use or wear respectively the name, badge, decoration, insignia, button, or rosette thereof, unless he or she shall be entitled to use or wear the same respectively under the constitution, by-laws, or rules and regulations of said societies or orders, respectively, shall be fined twenty dollars for each offense."

Penalty for wearing, without right, badges of certain organizations.

SEC. 2. This act shall take immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 743.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 8 OF CHAPTER 544 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO SECURE A MORE UNIFORM HIGH STANDARD IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THIS STATE."

Passed May 3, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8, Chapter 544 of the Public Laws is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. The school committee of any town may, subject to the approval of the commissioner of public schools, consolidate any schools the average number belonging to each of which is less than twelve, or may unite such school or schools with some other school in order to establish a graded school or to secure greater

School committee may consolidate schools, when.

May provide transportation for pupils.

efficiency of the schools; and said school committee shall have authority to provide, in their discretion, transportation for pupils to and from school."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 744.

Passed May 8, 1900.

AN ACT PERMITTING CITIES OR TOWNS TO USE VOTING-MACHINES AT ELECTIONS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

City and town councils authorized to adopt, purchase, and furnish McTammany voting-machines to be used in city and town elections.

SECTION 1. The city council of any city or the town council of any town is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt, purchase, and furnish for all elections in such city or town a sufficient number of McTammany voting-machines to enable all the electors of such city or town to vote, by the use of such machines, for any candidate nominated for any office to be filled at such elections, and also to vote upon any proposition or question lawfully submitted to the electors of such city or town. Whenever said machines shall have been thus adopted and furnished in any city or town, the election of all officers to be voted for by the electors thereof, and the voting upon all propositions or questions submitted to the electors thereof, shall be by the use of said machines: *Provided*, that the essential provisions of existing law relative to elections shall be and remain in full force, excepting as it may be necessary for the commission hereinafter created to change the details of said law in order to adopt it to the use of such voting-machines.

Voting-machine commission, how constituted; powers and duties of.

SEC. 2. The secretary of state, the attorney-general, and the chairman of the board of canvassers and registration of the city of Providence are hereby constituted a commission *ex-officio* to be known as the voting-machine commission, and which shall have power to examine and approve or reject any other voting-machines which may be presented to said commission for

its examination. And said commission may make such report and recommendations to the general assembly as they deem advisable regarding the manner of adoption and qualifications of the voting-machines so selected. Whenever any other voting-machines shall have been approved by said commission and adopted and furnished in any city or town, the election of all officers to be voted for by the electors thereof, and the voting upon all propositions or questions submitted to the electors thereof, shall be by the use of said machines in like manner as provided in section 1 of this act.

SEC. 3. Upon the adoption of any voting-machine or voting-machine system by the town council of any town or the city council of any city, said commission is hereby authorized and empowered to make all necessary and proper rules and regulations concerning the printing and arranging of the names of candidates or of such propositions or questions upon all official ballots and the delivery thereof at the polls, the preparation and posting of official specimen ballots and instruction sheets, the preparation and furnishing of said machines and their delivery at the polls, the preparation and proper arrangement of suitable polling-places, and also for the general conduct of such elections and the duties of election officers and the voting for any candidate for any office, including the making of suitable provisions and regulations for voting for any person whose name is not on any official ballot and the voting upon any proposition or question, and all matters or things incident thereto, and the returning, certifying, counting, and preserving of the ballots cast thereat, which may be necessary to carry this act into effect. Any violation of any such rule or regulation of said commission by any election officer or other person shall receive the same punishment as is now provided by section 46 of Chapter 11 of the "General Laws" for violation of the secret ballot law: *Provided, however,* that all provisions of existing law relative to the matters contained in this act shall be and remain in full force in such city or town, so far as the same may be applicable, unless otherwise provided by rule or regulation of said commission.

Same subject.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 745.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 103 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, "OF SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 103 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding thereto sections to read as follows:

Penalty for use of instrument, etc., which utters any language or which exhibits pictures or views which are impure, obscene, etc.

"SEC. 8. Every person who shall in connection with any show, exhibition, or entertainment, whether public or private, either as owner, manager, or director, or in any other capacity, use, or cause, or permit to be used a phonograph or other contrivance, instrument, or device which utters or gives forth any language which is obscene, impure, or manifestly tending to the corruption of the morals of youth; or who shall, as aforesaid, use, or cause, or permit to be used a vitascope, biograph, mutoscope, stereopticon, or other contrivance, instrument, or device which exhibits pictures or views which are obscene, impure, or manifestly tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or imprisoned not exceeding one year, or shall be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.

Penalty for being connected, in any capacity, with the presentation, etc., of any obscene, indecent, etc., entertainment.

SEC. 9. Every person who shall as owner, manager, director, agent, or in any other capacity prepare, advertise, give, present, or participate in any obscene, indecent, immoral, or impure show or entertainment, or in any show or entertainment manifestly tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or imprisoned not exceeding one year, or shall be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.

Complaints to be made to whom.

SEC. 10. Complaint may be made, or an information filed, by the mayor or chief of police of any city,

the president of any town council, or any town sergeant within the city or town, respectively, where such officer shall reside, setting forth that the complainant has reason to believe and does believe that phonographs, vitascopes, biographs, mutoscopes, stereopticons, or other contrivances, instruments, or devices, and which shall be described in such complaint as nearly as may be, are kept or suffered to be kept, to be used in violation of the preceding sections of this act, in any building, room, tent, booth, or any other place within the county in which the complaint is made or information filed, or in any vessel, boat, or other craft upon any of the waters of Narragansett bay, and in such complaint or information particularly described, and such proceedings had thereon for the forfeiture and destruction of such contrivances, instruments, or devices as are by law prescribed for the forfeiture and destruction of gambling implements or apparatus under the general laws of the state.

SEC. 11. No officer complaining or informing, as aforesaid, shall be required, at the time of making such complaint, to enter into recognizance or in any way to become liable for the costs that may accrue thereon, or for any damages on account of the seizure of such contrivances, instruments, or devices.

Complainant
not required to
give surety for
costs.

SEC. 12. In addition to the fees allowed by law, the officer who shall make service of any warrant for the seizure of any such contrivances, instruments, or devices under the provisions of this act shall be allowed therefor the sum of one dollar; for the removing of any such contrivances, instruments, or devices so seized to a place of safety, one dollar and all necessary expenses incurred in such removal; which fees shall be included in the bill of costs and taxed by the court."

Officers' fees.

CHAPTER 746.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 112 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF BIRDS," AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Penalty for unlawfully killing, &c., certain wild birds.

"SECTION 1. Every person who shall take, kill, destroy, buy, sell, or offer for sale, or have in his possession any wild bird, or birds, at any season of the year, except as hereinafter provided, shall be fined twenty dollars for each of such birds."

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Penalty for pursuing with intent to kill certain wild birds.

"SEC. 2. Every person who shall pursue with intent to kill any wild bird, except as hereinafter provided, shall be fined twenty for each offense."

SEC. 3. Section 3 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Penalty for wilfully destroying nests or eggs of wild birds.

"SEC. 3. Every person who shall wilfully disturb or destroy the nest or eggs of any wild bird, except as hereinafter provided, shall be fined twenty dollars for each offense."

SEC. 4. Section 4 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Certain wild birds may be killed, when.

"SEC. 4. Section 1, 2, and 3 of Chapter 112 shall not apply to the shooting of woodcock, ruffed grouse, common called 'partridge,' and quail, commonly called 'bob-white,' from the fifteenth day of October to the fifteenth day of December inclusive; black duck, wood-duck, teal, coot, scoters, or any of the so-called duck species, wild geese and brant, from the first day of October to the twenty-eighth day of February inclusive; peep, plover, snipe, sandpiper, sanderling, greater and lesser yellow legs, curlew and rails, from the fifteenth day of July to the fifteenth day of December inclusive."

SEC. 5. Section 5 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. Sections 1, 2, and 3 of Chapter 112 shall not apply to the killing of English sparrows, hawks (except fish hawks), owls, crows, and crow-blackbirds at any season of the year, by any person on his own land."

Certain birds may be killed at any time by person on his own land.

SEC. 6. Section 8 of Chapter 112 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. Section 11 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 11. Every person who shall between the sixteenth day of December and the fifteenth day of October next following, inclusive, shoot at or kill any bird upon land not owned or occupied by himself, and without permission of the owner or occupant thereof, shall forfeit and pay to the owner or occupant thereof five dollars for the first offense and ten dollars for every subsequent offense, in addition to the damages sustained."

Liability for shooting birds on another's land.

SEC. 8. Section 12 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 12. Any person above the age of fifteen years, having a certificate from the curator of the museum of zoölogy of Brown University, the president of the Rhode Island College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, or from any incorporated society of natural history or college in the state, to the effect that said person is engaged in the scientific study of ornithology or is making collections in the interest of or for said institutions, or any one of them, may take the nest and eggs of, or at any season of the year may take or kill, any undomesticated birds, except those named in section four."

Certain persons may take the nest or eggs of, or at any time take or kill, certain birds.

SEC. 9. Section 14 of Chapter 112 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. Section 15 of Chapter 112 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 15. All fines recovered by virtue of this chapter shall enure one-half thereof to use of the state and one-half thereof to the use of the complainant, and all prosecutions therefor shall be commenced with-

Fines, how to enure.

in ninety days after the commission of the offense and not afterwards."

SEC. 11. Chapter 450 of the Public Laws, entitled "An act in amendment of sections 1 and 5 of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, 'Of birds,'" is hereby repealed.

SEC. 12. Section 1 of Chapter 461 of the Public Laws, entitled "An act in amendment of Chapter 112 of the General Laws, entitled 'Of birds,'" is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Pheasants not
to be killed,
etc., before
Oct. 1, 1905.

"SECTION 1. Every person who shall take, kill, destroy, sell, buy, or offer for sale, or have in his possession any pheasant before the first day of October, nineteen hundred and five, shall for each offense be fined twenty dollars, provided that the word pheasant shall not be construed to apply to the birds commonly called partridge or ruffed grouse."

Penalty for
carrying or
sending out of
the state any
woodcock,
quail, or part-
tridge.

SEC. 13. Every person who shall carry or send beyond the limits of this state any woodcock, quail, or ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge, shall be fined twenty dollars for each of said birds.

CHAPTER 747.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 5 AND 11 OF CHAPTER 114 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 548 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED MAY 6, 1898.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 114 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 548 of the Public Laws, passed May 6, 1898, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Persons violat-
ing the laws re-
lative to cru-
elty to animals
may be ar-
rested without
a warrant and
detained
twenty-four
hours.

"SEC. 5. Any person violating the laws in relation to cruelty to animals may be arrested on view and be held without a warrant: *Provided*, that such arrest or detention without warrant shall not continue longer than twenty-four hours; and the person making an arrest, with or without a warrant, shall use reasonable diligence to give notice thereof to the owner of animals

found in the charge or custody of the person arrested, and shall properly care and provide for such animals until the owner thereof shall take charge of the same, provided the owner shall do so within thirty days from the date of said notice. And the person making such arrest shall have a lien on said animals for the expense of such care and provision."

SEC. 2. Section 11 of Chapter 114 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 548 of the Public Laws, passed May 6, 1898, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 11. Every sheriff, deputy sheriff, town sergeant, constable, police officer or any officer authorized to serve criminal process may enter any place, building, or tenement anywhere within the state, where there is an exhibition of the fighting of birds or animals, or where preparations are making for such exhibition, and without a warrant arrest all persons there present, and take possession of the birds or animals engaged in fighting, and all birds or animals there found and intended to be used or engaged in fighting; such persons shall be kept in custody in jail or other convenient place not more than twenty-four hours, Sundays and legal holidays excepted; at or before the expiration of which time such persons shall be brought before a district court or the common pleas division of the supreme court and proceeded against according to law."

Same subject.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 748.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 171 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF CERTAIN FISHERIES."

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 27 of Chapter 171 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Penalty for the taking of fish otherwise than by a single hook and line from a stream or fresh water pond, not on own land, without consent.

"SEC. 27. Every person who shall take any fish in any stream or fresh pond, except upon his own land, otherwise than by a single hook and line, or who shall take or carry away any fish from any private pond, brook, stream, preserve, or any other place made, constructed, or used for the purpose of breeding or growing fish therein, without the consent of the proprietor or lessee of such pond, brook, stream, or preserve, shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars or be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days, or be both fined and imprisoned; but nothing herein contained shall be construed as to authorize the taking of any fish from any pond or stream stocked with fish at the expense of the state."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 749.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 174 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF INLAND FISHERIES."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 9 of Chapter 174 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Of the protection of black bass.

"SEC. 9. After the expiration of said three years, no black bass shall be taken in any waters of this state, except Sneach pond in the town of Cumberland, and Moswansicut pond in the town of Scituate, between the first day of March and the first day of July in each year, nor at any time except by hook and line as aforesaid. Every person taking any black bass during the time aforesaid, or in any other manner, except by hook and line, shall be fined fifteen dollars for each black bass so taken, and every person who shall take, or have in his or her possession, any black bass less than eight inches in length at any time of the year, shall be fined fifteen dollars for each black bass found in his or her possession; and possession by any person of any black bass less than eight inches in length, or

during the time aforementioned, shall be evidence that such black bass were taken in violation of this chapter; but nothing herein contained shall be so construed, as to prohibit the taking and sale of black bass artificially cultivated in private ponds at any season of the year."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 750.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 239 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 16 of Chapter 239 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 16. Whenever a demurrer is filed, the same need not be more formally stated than that the party demurring demurs to such declaration, or plea, but shall be accompanied with a statement of the specific grounds of demurrer."

Demurrer
need only state
that the party
demurs and
the specific
grounds.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 751.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CLAUSE 12, SECTION 5, OF CHAPTER 255 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF EXEMPTIONS FROM ARREST AND ATTACHMENT."

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Clause 12 of section 5 of Chapter 255 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"12. The salary or wages due or payable to any debtor, not exceeding the sum of ten dollars."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Salary or
wages to the
extent of \$10
exempt from
trustee pro-
cess.

CHAPTER 752.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 281 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, "OF OFFENCES AGAINST CHASTITY, MORALITY, AND DECENCY."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13 of Chapter 281 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Penalty for importing, printing, selling, etc., obscene, indecent, or impure book, print, etc.

"SEC. 13. Every person who shall import, print, publish, sell, or distribute any book, pamphlet, ballad, printed paper, or other thing containing obscene, indecent, or impure language, or manifestly tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, or any print, picture, figure, figment, or other description which is indecent, impure, or manifestly tending to the corruption of the morals of youth, or shall introduce into any family, school, or place of education, or shall buy, procure, receive, or have in his possession any such book, pamphlet, ballad, printed paper, or other thing, either for the purpose of sale, exhibition, loan, or circulation, or with intent to introduce the same into any family, school, or place of education, shall be imprisoned not exceeding two years or be fined not exceeding one thousand dollars nor less than one hundred dollars."

CHAPTER 753.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 291 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "OF THE STATE PRISON AND OTHER STATE INSTITUTIONS IN THE TOWN OF CRANSTON, AND OF THE GOVERNMENT AND CONTROL THEREOF."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Chapter 291 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Secretary of the board not to be a member thereof.

"SEC. 3. Said board may appoint a secretary, who shall not be a member of the board, who shall hold

his office during the pleasure of said board; he shall give bond to the state, in such sum as the board may require, for the faithful performance of his duties; he shall keep a record of all the doings of the board, and shall perform such other duties as may be by them required."

SEC. 2. From and after the passage of this act the present secretary of the board of state charities and corrections shall cease to be a member of said board. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 754.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 294 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AND CHAPTER 679 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The annual salary of the railroad commissioner shall be twenty-five hundred dollars; that of the deputy railroad commissioner, five hundred dollars. The railroad commissioner shall also be allowed such office, travelling, and clerical expenses as shall be approved by the governor; to be paid upon the order of the state auditor out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Salary of railroad commissioner and of deputy.

SEC. 2. The total annual expense including salary, of the railroad commissioner, excepting only the cost of printing and binding the annual report required by law to be made to the general assembly, shall not exceed four thousand dollars, and shall be borne by the several corporations, whether operated by steam or other power, owning or operating railroads, according to their means, to be apportioned by the general treasurer, who, on or before the first day of August in each year, shall assess upon each of such corporations its proportion of such expenses, one-half in proportion to its gross receipts for the fiscal year next preceding that in which the

Salary and expenses of commissioner to be borne by the railroad corporations.

assessment is made, and one-half in proportion to the length of its main road and branches: *Provided*, that each corporation whose line of road lies partly within and partly without the state shall in respect of its gross receipts be assessed on a part bearing the same proportion to its gross receipts that the line of its road within the state bears to the whole length of road, and in respect of its main road and branches shall be assessed only on that part which lies within the state. Such assessment shall be paid to the general treasurer within sixty days from the date thereof.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 755.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 310 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 310 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Annual appro-
priation for
armory rents.

"SECTION 1. There shall be appropriated annually, from any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to provide for armory rents of the companies of the brigade Rhode Island militia and the companies of the naval reserve militia; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of such armory rents upon the receipt of vouchers approved by the governor, and certified to by the quartermaster-general."

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 756.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 344 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 99 OF THE GENERAL LAWS,"

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. All persons desiring to import cattle into this state, or from other states, without obtaining the certificate required by section 2 of Chapter 344 of the Public Laws, shall give written notice to the cattle commissioner of the county, into which the cattle are brought within forty-eight hours after the arrival into the state of such cattle, and such notification shall contain a specified list of the cattle so imported, with a full description of age, sex, and such other particulars as may be necessary for the identification of the said cattle, and the place where they can be found.

Of the impor-
tation of cattle
into this state.

SEC. 2. Immediately upon the receipt of such notification, the cattle commissioner of the county into which said cattle are imported shall proceed within 72 hours to the place designated, and make a physical examination of said cattle; and if upon such examination said cattle shall be deemed free from tuberculosis, it shall be so certified by said cattle commissioner upon a permit, and a duplicate thereof, to be given to the owner of said cattle, and the cattle shall be released for the use and benefit of the owner.

SEC. 3. If after such examination the cattle commissioner shall be of the opinion that the cattle or any of the cattle so examined are afflicted with tuberculosis, he shall require of the importer that the suspected cattle be tested with tuberculin, said test to be applied by a veterinarian of a recognized veterinary college, who shall give to the said commissioner a certificate in writing that such test has been applied, together with a statement of the tuberculin used, quantity injected, temperature of each animal before inoculation and at the 11th and every two subsequent hours thereafter for at least ten hours, or until reaction is complete, and a duplicate thereof shall be given to

the owner of said cattle, and the original certificate shall be sent by the said commissioner to the secretary of the state board of agriculture. If after such test it shall be proved that such suspected cattle are afflicted with tuberculosis, such diseased cattle shall be immediately slaughtered upon written order of said commissioner, and the state shall not be required to compensate the owner for their loss, and the owner shall pay for testing such cattle with tuberculin; but if such cattle shall be found free from tuberculosis they shall be released for the use and benefit of the owner. If any of such cattle are slaughtered, and upon post mortem examination it shall be found that the slaughtered animal was not afflicted with tuberculosis, then the animal so killed shall be paid for by the state at its full appraised value, in accordance with the provisions of section 11 of Chapter 99 of the General Laws.

SEC. 4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 757.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SIDE-PATH COMMISSION, AND IN RELATION TO SIDEPATHS AND CYCLE PATHS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Of the construction of sidepaths for cyclists.

SECTION 1. The governor shall, within thirty days after the passage of this act, appoint five persons, one from each of the counties of the state, each of whom shall be a cyclist, as a state sidepath commission. Their terms of office shall be so arranged and designated at the time of their appointment that the term of one member shall expire in five years, one in four years, one in three years, one in two years, and one in one year. Thereafter the governor shall annually ap-

point one member of said commission, whose term of office shall be five years from the expiration of the term of office of his predecessor. All members shall hold office until their successors are appointed and qualified. Vacancies occurring in said commission shall be filled for any unexpired term by the governor. All appointments hereafter made upon said commission shall be of persons who are cyclists, and from the county for which the member whose office is vacant was appointed. The members of said commission may be removed by the governor for such cause as he shall deem sufficient, and shall express in the order of removal. They shall serve without compensation, but shall be repaid their actual and necessary disbursements out of the sidepath fund. Whenever complaint is made by them, or either of them, for a violation of any of the provisions of this act, they shall not be required to enter into recognizance on such complaint, or become liable for costs thereon.

SEC. 2. The sidepath commission is hereby authorized and empowered to construct and maintain sidepaths along any highway, or sections thereof, of the state, with the approval of the town council of each town, or board of aldermen of each city in which said sidepath shall be built, such approval to be entered upon the records of the proceedings of such town council or board of aldermen; and along any private land with the consent of the owner thereof, such consent to be in writing and filed in the town clerk's office of the town wherein such land is situated. No sidepath shall be constructed along any regularly constructed or maintained sidewalk, except by the consent of the owners of the abutting lands. Such paths shall be not less than three nor more than six feet wide, and when constructed upon the highways shall be within the outside lines and along and upon either side thereof, and in some manner separated and distinguished from the main travelled part thereof. The word "sidewalk" as herein used means only a sidewalk constructed and maintained as such by the public authorities, or the owner of the abutting land, and reserved for the use of pedestrians. No member or

members of said commission shall begin, or authorize, the construction of a sidepath to be built from the sidepath fund, until it has voted to construct such path and such vote has been entered upon the records of its proceedings.

SEC. 3. The sidepath commission shall, within a reasonable time after its appointment, and in each succeeding calendar year, adopt a form of license to consist of an inscription, badge, emblem, or device suitable to be affixed to a cycle, to be known as a cycle sidepath license. Any person upon the payment of a fee, to be determined by said commission, of not less than fifty cents nor more than one dollar shall be entitled to receive such license from said commission, which shall be good during the calendar year for which it is issued, and no longer. No person shall ride a cycle on any sidepath constructed or maintained by said commission without having a valid cycle license attached or affixed to the left side of the front fork thereof, or upon the lower tube of the frame, and within six inches of the head thereof, so that the license device shall show on the left side of said tube.

SEC. 4. The license fees collected by the sidepath commission shall be deposited, on or before the first day of each month, with the general treasurer, by whom they shall be credited to a special fund to be called "sidepath fund," upon which said commission is authorized to draw orders signed by a majority of said commission, but not in excess of the amount then on deposit.

SEC. 5. The sidepath commission shall devote the moneys so collected to the construction of sidepaths in manner as aforesaid, and to the repair thereof.

SEC. 6. Nothing in this act contained shall be construed so as to prevent the construction or maintenance of cycle paths by town councils or boards of aldermen in their respective towns or cities.

SEC. 7. Every person who shall ride a cycle on any sidepath constructed or maintained by the sidepath commission contrary to the provisions of section 3 of this act shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars;

one-half of said sum to the use of the complainant and one-half thereof to the use of the state.

SEC. 8. Every person riding a cycle upon any sidepath constructed or maintained by the sidepath commission, or upon any cycle path lawfully constructed or maintained as such, who shall wilfully neglect, when meeting any other person so riding thereon, to seasonably turn and propel his cycle to the right of the centre of such path, so as to enable such person to pass with his cycle without interference or interruption, shall be fined five dollars; and shall be liable for all damages sustained in consequence of any neglect to comply with the provisions of this section.

SEC. 9. Every person who shall ride a cycle faster than a common traveling pace upon any sidepath constructed or maintained by the sidepath commission, or upon any cycle path lawfully constructed or maintained as such, when passing another cyclist or pedestrian thereon, or in any of the cities or the compact part of any town or village in the state, shall, unless justifiable cause be made to appear for said riding, be fined not less than five nor more than twenty dollars; one-half of said sum to the use of the complainant and one-half thereof to the use of the town where the offence was committed.

SEC. 10. Every person who shall wilfully lead, ride, or drive any vehicle, other than a cycle, or any horse, cattle, swine, sheep, or other animals upon any sidepath constructed or maintained by the sidepath commission, or upon any cycle path legally constructed or maintained as such, or wilfully permit any horse, cattle, swine, sheep, or other animals to stray thereon, except for the purpose of crossing the same to and from highways, private ways, or abutting lands, shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars.

SEC. 11. Every person who shall wilfully obstruct, injure, or destroy any sidepath constructed or maintained by the sidepath commission, or any cycle path lawfully constructed or maintained as such, or knowingly throw or place or cause to be thrown or placed thereon any tacks, nails, wire, scrap-metal, glass, crockery, or other substance injurious to the feet of persons

or to the tires or wheels of cycles, shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars or be imprisoned not exceeding three months.

CHAPTER 758.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT DEFINING THE LEGAL WEIGHTS OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Legal weights
of certain com-
modities.

SECTION 1. The legal weights of certain commodities in the State of Rhode Island shall be as follows:

- A bushel of apples shall weigh 48 lbs.
- A bushel of apples, dried, shall weigh 25 lbs.
- A bushel of apple seed shall weigh 40 lbs.
- A bushel of barley shall weigh 48 lbs.
- A bushel of beans shall weigh 60 lbs.
- A bushel of beans, castor, shall weigh 46 lbs.
- A bushel of beets shall weigh 50 lbs.
- A bushel of bran shall weigh 20 lbs.
- A bushel of buckwheat shall weigh 48 lbs.
- A bushel of carrots shall weigh 50 lbs.
- A bushel of charcoal shall weigh 20 lbs.
- A bushel of clover seed shall weigh 60 lbs.
- A bushel of coal shall weigh 80 lbs.
- A bushel of coke shall weigh 40 lbs.
- A bushel of corn, shelled, shall weigh 56 lbs.
- A bushel of corn, in the ear, shall weigh 70 lbs.
- A bushel of corn meal shall weigh 50 lbs.
- A bushel of cotton seed, upland, shall weigh 30 lbs.
- A bushel of cotton seed, Sea Island, shall weigh 44 lbs.
- A bushel of flax seed shall weigh 56 lbs.
- A bushel of hemp shall weigh 44 lbs.
- A bushel of Hungarian seed shall weigh 50 lbs.
- A bushel of lime shall weigh 70 lbs.
- A bushel of malt shall weigh 38 lbs.
- A bushel of millet seed shall weigh 50 lbs.
- A bushel of oats shall weigh 32 lbs.
- A bushel of onions shall weigh 50 lbs.

A bushel of parsnips shall weigh 50 lbs.
 A bushel of peaches shall weigh 48 lbs.
 A bushel of peaches, dried, shall weigh 33 lbs.
 A bushel of peas shall weigh 60 lbs.
 A bushel of peas, split, shall weigh 60 lbs.
 A bushel of potatoes shall weigh 60 lbs.
 A bushel of potatoes, sweet, shall weigh 54 lbs.
 A bushel of rye shall weigh 56 lbs.
 A bushel of rye meal shall weigh 50 lbs.
 A bushel of salt, fine, shall weigh 50 lbs.
 A bushel of salt, coarse, shall weigh 70 lbs.
 A bushel of timothy seed shall weigh 45 lbs.
 A bushel of shorts shall weigh 20 lbs.
 A bushel of tomatoes shall weigh 56 lbs.
 A bushel of turnips shall weigh 50 lbs.
 A bushel of wheat shall weigh 60 lbs.
 A barrel of flour shall contain 196 lbs.
 A ton of coal, net, shall weigh 2,000 lbs.
 A ton of coal, gross, shall weigh 2,240 lbs.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after the first day of July, A. D. 1900.

CHAPTER 759.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON TO EMPLOY A JANITOR FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT-HOUSE.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The sheriff of the county of Washington is hereby authorized and empowered to employ a janitor for the Washington county court-house, at an annual salary not exceeding five hundred dollars; which said sum is hereby annually appropriated for the purpose mentioned. And the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his order upon the general treasurer for the payment of the same from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon

Janitor for
Washington
county court-
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ized.

vouchers duly approved by the sheriff of the county of Washington.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

CHAPTER 760.

Passed April 24,
1900.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CARE OF THE MILITARY BURIAL GROUND AT DUTCH ISLAND.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Appropriation
for the care
and mainten-
ance of the
military burial
ground at
Dutch island.

SECTION 1. The sum of fifteen dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby annually appropriated from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the care and maintenance of the military burial ground at Dutch island; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders upon the general treasurer from time to time for the payment of the same, upon receipt of proper vouchers from the adjutant-general.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 761.

Passed May 1,
1900.

AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AID OF THE PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

Appropriation
for the aid of
the prisoners'
aid association.

SECTION 1. The sum of one thousand dollars per annum is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the prisoners' aid association.

SEC. 2. The state auditor shall draw his order on the general treasurer, in favor of the treasurer of said association, for said sum of one thousand dollars, in equal quarterly payments on the first days of April, July, October, and January, annually: *Provided*, that

no portion of said sum of one thousand dollars shall be paid to said treasurer until the charter of said prisoners' aid association shall have been so amended that the governor, the chairman of the finance committee of the senate, and the chairman of the finance committee of the house of representatives shall be ex-officio members of the executive board of said association.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 762.

AN ACT PLACING THE NAME OF HENRY WOLCOTT UPON THE RETIRED LIST OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS OF THE RHODE ISLAND MILITIA.

Passed May 1,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of Henry Wolcott is hereby ordered to be placed upon the retired list of commissioned officers of the Rhode Island militia, pursuant to the provisions of section 18 of Chapter 296 of the General Laws. The said Henry Wolcott having been commissioned second lieutenant, first machine gun battery, July 31st, 1891, to November 25th, 1893; as first lieutenant, November 25th, 1893, to September 10th, 1894; and as captain, September 10th, 1894, to June 12th, 1899; a continuous service as commissioned officer of 7 years, 10 months, and 12 days. At the outbreak of the war with Spain, in 1898, he organized light battery B, first artillery, R. I. volunteers, received his commission as captain, June 28th, 1898, and was mustered out of the United States service, October 26th, 1898.

Name of Henry Wolcott ordered placed upon the retired list of commissioned officers of the R. I. M.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 763.

Passed May 2,
1900.

AN ACT PLACING THE NAME OF HERBERT S. TANNER UPON THE RETIRED LIST OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS OF THE RHODE ISLAND MILITIA AT ANY TIME HEREAFTER UPON HIS REQUEST.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Name of Herbert S. Tanner ordered placed upon the retired list of commissioned officers of the R. I. M.

SECTION 1. The name of Herbert S. Tanner, at any time hereafter when said Herbert S. Tanner shall make application to the adjutant-general, is hereby ordered to be placed upon the retired list of commissioned officers of the Rhode Island militia, created by act of the general assembly, Public Laws, Chapter 535, entitled "An act in amendment of section 18 of Chapter 296 of the General Laws 'Of the militia,'" and by Chapter 296 of the General Laws of Rhode Island and acts in amendment thereto; the said Herbert S. Tanner having been in continuous service as a commissioned officer of the Rhode Island militia from October 17, 1889, to the present time, with the exception of the time between November 21st, 1893, and the 31st of January, 1894; and the said Herbert S. Tanner is hereby entitled to all the rights and privileges mentioned in section 19 of Chapter 296 of the General Laws to which he would have been entitled to had he been in continuous service in the Rhode Island militia from October 17, 1889, to the present time.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 764.

Passed April
12, 1900.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REFUNDING A PORTION OF THE WATER LOAN OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Provision for the refunding of a portion of the water loan.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of paying the bonds of the city of Providence, issued by virtue of Chapter

640 of the Public Laws, passed by the general assembly at its January session, A. D. 1866, and of Chapter 784 of the Public Laws, passed by the general assembly at its January session, A. D. 1869, when the same become due, or of purchasing the same at any time before maturity, the said city of Providence is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds, scrip, or certificates of debt, bearing not more than four per centum interest per annum, under the corporate name and seal of said city, signed by the city treasurer or such other duly authorized person or persons as the city council may direct, in such form as may be found expedient, not exceeding the sum of twenty-seven hundred thousand dollars; said bonds, scrip, or certificates to be payable whenever the city council of said city shall provide; and said bonds, scrip, or certificates shall be obligatory upon said city in the same manner and to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by said city. The money derived from the issue of such bonds, scrip, or certificates shall be used by said city exclusively for the purposes set forth in this act.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 765.

AN ACT RELATING TO THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, AND TO THE REVISED RULES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE.

Passed May 3,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The revised ordinances contained in the ordinance entitled "An ordinance comprising the general ordinances of the city of Providence, as revised in the year 1899," made and passed by the city council of said city of Providence in December, 1899, and the revised rules of the board of aldermen of said city, entitled "Rules of the board of aldermen of the city of Providence," passed by said board of aldermen

Revised ordinances exempted from publication.



in December, 1899, are hereby exempted from publication in any newspaper.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 766.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BRISTOL TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT POLICE FORCE.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Of the establishment of a permanent police force.

SECTION 1. The town council of the town of Bristol may appoint so many and such police officers, including the chief of police, for service in said town, as by ordinance the said council may from time to time determine, which said officers, including those already appointed, shall hold their respective offices until vacated by death or resignation, except as hereinafter provided; and the president of said council may at any time suspend any such officer from his office until the adjournment of the next meeting of said council, at which meeting he shall report any and all such suspensions, with his reasons therefor: *Provided, however,* that any one or more of the police officers so appointed shall be subject to removal from office by the said council at any time, for misconduct or incapacity of such a character as the said council may deem a disqualification for said office; and all such removals shall be by the said council upon charges made in writing, and of which the officer complained of shall have notice and opportunity to be heard thereon: *Provided, further, however,* that nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to any police officer or constable other than the members of the paid police department of said town of Bristol.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 767.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT
TO DIVIDE THE TOWN OF COVENTRY INTO VOTING-DIS-
TRICTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING," PASSED JANUARY
SESSION, A. D. 1890.

Passed April
17, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of an act entitled "An act to divide the town of Coventry into districts, for the purpose of voting, passed January session, A. D. 1889," and amended by act passed January session, 1890, is hereby further amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. The election for town and district officers shall be held on the first Monday in June in each year. The town-meeting for the ordering and disposition of the taxes, and consideration of all matters relating to the finances of said town, shall be held at the town house in Coventry Centre on the last Monday in May in each year, at which meeting the moderator of district number one shall preside."

Elections for
town officers,
when to be
held.

Financial town
meetings.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 768.

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF CUMBERLAND TO ELECT A BOARD OF LICENSE COM-
MISSIONERS.

Passed April
17, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The town council of the town of Cum-
berland may in the month of April, 1900, immediately
after the passage of this act, elect three license com-
missioners who shall have and exercise within said
town all the powers and duties conferred upon license
commissioners and town councils by the provisions of
Chapter 102 of the General Laws or by any acts in
amendment thereof or in addition thereto. The three

Town council
authorized to
elect license
commissioners.

said commissioners shall hold office from the fourth Monday in April, 1900, and until their successors are elected and qualified; the first commissioner elected shall hold office for the term of three years, the second commissioner for the term of two years, and the third commissioner for the term of one year, and thereafter the town council of the town of Cumberland shall in the month of April in each year elect a license commissioner who shall hold his office for the term of three years from the fourth Monday in April in the year in which he is elected and until his successor is elected and qualified. The said commissioners shall receive such compensation, to be paid by the town, as the town council shall determine.

SEC. 2. All act and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 769.

Passed April
19, 1900.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF ASSESSORS OF TAXES IN THE DISTRICT OF NARRAGANSETT.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Of the election
of assessors of
taxes.

SECTION 1. The electors of the District of Narragansett shall at the annual election to be held on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1900, elect three assessors of taxes to serve, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and until their successors, respectively, are elected and qualified; and annually thereafter the said electors shall, at the annual election on the first Monday in June, elect one assessor of taxes who shall serve for three years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 770.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF NEW SHOREHAM
TO FACILITATE TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM SAID
TOWN.

Passed April
26, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The town of New Shoreham is hereby authorized to aid in the purchase of or to construct a steamboat, for the transportation of passengers and freight to and from said town, and may hold and dispose of said property like other property of said town: *Provided* that a majority of the voters of said town, qualified to vote upon any proposition to impose a tax or for the expenditure of money therein, present and voting at any legal town-meeting called for that purpose, shall vote in favor of such purchase or construction; and said town is hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate and use for the purposes above mentioned a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and to hire said money for said purposes and to issue the notes or bonds of said town for said sum in such form and upon such terms as the town council of said town may determine.

Town authorized to aid in the purchase or to build a steamboat for certain purposes.

SEC. 2. The control and management of said steamboat property shall be vested in a board of commissioners to be composed of three members, who shall be elected by the electors of said town by ballot, to hold their offices, on their first election, the first named on said ballot for seven years, the second named for five years, the third named for three years, from and after the election of town officers of said town next following the date of the first election of said commissioners; and when their several first terms expire, and every seventh year after the expiration of each of said terms the said town shall elect on the ballot for town officers, one commissioner as aforesaid, to hold office for seven years.

SEC. 3. Said board of commissioners shall have power to run said steamboat line to and from said town and the cities of Newport and Providence, and

to establish rates of fare and charges for freight on said line and to sue for and collect the same. Said commissioners shall annually report in writing to the town treasurer of said town, and file a sworn statement of their account with said treasurer, showing the several sums received and paid by them as said commissioners during the previous year, and showing in detail the persons to whom and the purposes for which the payments were made.

SEC. 4. The said commissioners before entering upon the duties of their aforesaid offices shall severally give bond to the said town, with sureties satisfactory to the town council of said town, in such sum as the said town council may determine, conditioned for the faithful performance of their trust as said commissioners. A neglect or refusal to give said bond for a period of thirty days after the election of any such commissioner shall be deemed a constructive declination of said office and a vacancy therein.

SEC. 5. In case of vacancy in said board of commissioners, by death, resignation, declination, or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by the town council until the next annual town-meeting for town officers, when it shall be filled for the unexpired term thereof by the electors of said town as is above provided.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 771.

Passed April
27, 1900.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WARREN TO ELECT CERTAIN OFFICERS UNDER THE SECRET BALLOT LAW, AND FIXING TIMES FOR HOLDING THE ANNUAL TOWN-MEETINGS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Town elections, when to be held.

SECTION 1. The town of Warren shall hold its annual election for the following officers on the second Wednesday in March, at ten o'clock A. M., under and subject to the provisions of the secret ballot law, viz.:

for moderator, town clerk, town council consisting of five members, town treasurer, collector of taxes, three members each year of the school committee to serve three years, but in the year 1901 nine members of the school committee shall be elected, three to serve for three years, three for two years, and three to serve for one year; one assessor of taxes each year to serve three years, but in said year 1901 three assessors of taxes shall be elected, one to serve three years, one two years, and one for one year. The polls shall be kept open from 10 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

SEC. 2. The town council is hereby required to make such provisions as may be needed to carry this act into effect.

SEC. 3. The town council shall elect all town officers not herein enumerated who may be required to be elected by the town of Warren by statute or town ordinance.

SEC. 4. The electors of the town of Warren shall hold a separate financial town-meeting annually on the first Saturday after the second Wednesday of March, at 10 o'clock A. M.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 772.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 656 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION 1878, ENTITLED "AN ACT DIVIDING THE TOWN OF WARWICK INTO DISTRICTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING."

Passed May 2,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Chapter 656 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session 1878, entitled "An act dividing the town of Warwick into districts for the purpose of voting," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. The town council shall consist of seven members, and there shall be five assessors of taxes in said town, and twelve justices of the peace thereof."

Town council
to consist of
seven mem-
bers.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

CHAPTER 773.

Passed April
27, 1900.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO APPOINT A HARBOR MASTER.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Town council
authorized to
appoint an har-
bor master.

SECTION 1. The town council of the town of Westerly are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a harbor master for the harbor of Little Narragansett bay, and to pass, ordain, and establish such by-laws and ordinances and establish such fees and compensation as said town council may deem necessary and expedient for the execution of the duties of said office, provided the same be not repugnant to the laws of this state or of the United States.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

CHAPTER 774.

Passed May 1,
1900.

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE DIVISION OF THE TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH INTO HIGHWAY DISTRICTS AND THE ELECTION OF SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS THEREOF.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Town council
authorized to
divide town
into highway
districts, and
elect surveyors
therefor.

SECTION 1. The town council of the town of West Greenwich may divide said town into such number of highway districts not exceeding eight in number as they shall deem proper, and shall annually elect one surveyor of highways for each such highway district and fix his compensation, provided that no member of the town council shall be eligible to such office.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 775.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 728 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1888, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET."

Passed May 1,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Clause 2 of section 4 of Chapter 728 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"CLAUSE 2. The aldermen may appoint so many and such police officers, including the chief of police, as the ordinances of the city council may determine, which said officers shall hold their respective offices during the pleasure of the board of aldermen: *Provided, however,* that the members of the paid police department of said city shall not be subject to removal from office at any time, except for misconduct or incapacity of such a character as the board of aldermen may deem a disqualification for said office; and all such removals shall be by the board of aldermen, upon charges made in writing and of which the officer complained of shall have had notice and opportunity to be heard thereon."

Board of aldermen may appoint all police officials.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 776.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET TO ISSUE CERTAIN LICENSES, CHARGE AND COLLECT FEES THEREFOR AND PROVIDE PENALTIES.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The city council of the city of Woonsocket is hereby authorized to provide by ordinance for the issuing of licenses to all persons selling and offering for sale any goods, wares, merchandise, ice-cream, or other articles or substances on the street; to

City council authorized to provide for the issuing of city licenses for the sale of certain articles.

all persons selling fruits or vegetables from carts or baskets, and to all hawkers and peddlers, in addition to the state licenses required by the provisions of Chapter 162 of the General Laws, and also for charging and collecting fees for such licenses, not to exceed fifty dollars for any one license for any one year; and also to fix by ordinance a penalty for selling or offering for sale any goods, wares, merchandise, ice-cream, or other articles or substances on the street; and for selling or offering for sale fruits or vegetables from carts or baskets, and for selling or offering for sale any articles or substances as hawkers and peddlers within the city of Woonsocket without such licenses: *Provided, however,* that no fee shall be charged for licenses issued to any person selling religious books and publications in behalf of bible, tract, or other religious or moral societies for the purpose of promoting religious or moral improvement, and which are sold for that purpose and not for pecuniary profit, or to butchers retailing meats, or fishermen selling fish or shell-fish from carts or otherwise, or to any person peddling or selling any tow cloth, knit stockings, gloves, mits, or other articles of household manufacture, or articles manufactured with his own hands; or to any person who shall receive a license from the general treasurer in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of Chapter 162 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 622 of the Public Laws, passed at the January session, A. D. 1899: *And provided further,* that this act shall not apply to milkmen or to farmers selling the produce of their farms or selling both the produce of their farms and the produce of other farms.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 777.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WARWICK FIRE DISTRICT," PASSED AT THE JANUARY, SESSION, A. D. 1889, AS AMENDED BY AN ACT PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, 1894.

Passed April
24, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Warwick Fire District," passed at the January session, A. D. 1889, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 5. Said taxable inhabitants at any of their legal meetings shall have power to order such taxes and provide for the assessing and collecting of the same on the taxable inhabitants and property in said district as they shall deem necessary for the purchasing and procuring implements and apparatus and a supply of water for the extinguishment of fire, and for the compensation of firemen, and also for the purpose of lighting the street lights with electricity or otherwise in said district; and such taxes so ordered shall be assessed by the assessors of said district on the taxable inhabitants and property therein according to the last valuation made by the assessors of the town next previous to said assessment, adding, however, any taxable property which may have been omitted by said town assessors or afterwards acquired; and in the assessing and collecting of said taxes, such proceedings shall be had by the officers of said district as near as may be as are required to be had by the corresponding officers of towns in assessing and collecting town taxes: *Provided, however,* that the tax assessed and payable in any one year under the provisions of this section shall not exceed three mills on each dollar of said valuation."

SEC. 2. Section 8 of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. Said taxable inhabitants at any annual meeting, or other legal meeting, shall have power to choose and appoint so many men as they shall think

needful, to be formed into a hose company or companies, and also hook and ladder company, and may fix the compensation to be paid to the members of said companies, and to make all such laws and regulations for organizing and establishing the same as they shall see fit; and the members of said companies shall be exempt from jury or militia duty."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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ACTS OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD COMPANY," PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1893, AND ANY ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, by condemnation, from time to time, such lands and such interests and estates in lands in any town, city, or district in the counties of Providence, Bristol, Kent, Newport, and Washington as said corporation may from time to time take, in manner hereinafter provided, for its corporate purposes or for the corporate purposes of any steam railway corporation whose property, rights, privileges, or franchises have been or may hereafter be operated or acquired by said New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company under the authority granted by its charter or any amendment thereof.

SEC. 2. Whenever said company shall take any lands or any interest or estate therein under the provisions of this act, it shall file in the common pleas

division of the supreme court in the county in which said lands are located a certificate containing a general description of such lands and a statement of the interests and estates therein which are taken, and a list of the owners thereof and the persons interested therein, so far as the same may be known to said company. Said certificate shall be accompanied by a plat showing the location of such lands, and shall contain a notice that said company will give such security as the court may require for the payment of all such costs and damages as may be finally awarded to any person interested in the lands taken in the proceedings commenced by the filing of such certificate.

SEC. 3. Upon the filing of such certificate and plat, the court shall enter an order fixing the time when and the place where all persons interested in the land in said certificate described may appear before said court and be heard with reference to the necessity of the taking of such land and the appointment of commissioners to appraise the damages sustained by them by such taking, and the security to be given by said company for damages and costs; and the clerk of said court shall thereupon issue a notice, directed to the persons named in said certificate and to all other persons interested in said land, containing the substance of said certificate and said order; which notice shall be served by publication for such time and in such newspaper or newspapers as the court may prescribe.

SEC. 4. At the time and place mentioned in said notice or at any adjournment therefrom ordered by the court, the court, after hearing the parties interested who may appear and desire to be heard, shall first determine whether the lands in said certificate described are necessary to said company for its corporate purposes; and if it shall determine that such lands are necessary to said company, said court shall proceed to fix the security to be given by said company for damages and costs, and appoint three suitable persons as commissioners to appraise the damages sustained by the persons interested in the lands described in said certificate by reason of the taking of said lands or of any interest or estate therein. Any vacancies in said com-

mission which may occur from time to time shall be filled by the court, upon application of any party interested in said proceedings and upon such notice as the court may direct.

SEC. 5. Said commissioners, before they proceed to execute their duties, shall be sworn to a faithful and impartial discharge thereof, and shall give reasonable notice, by publication or otherwise, in such manner as the court may direct, to all persons interested to file their claims, if any they have, which have not been released to said company, with the clerk of said court within thirty days from the date of said notice. At the end of the time allowed for filing such claims, the commissioners or a majority of them shall fix a time and place for hearing all persons interested as to the damages by them sustained, and shall give notice of such hearing by publication in one or more of the newspapers published in the county where said lands are situated, once a week for at least three weeks prior to the date of such meeting, and shall give such further notice, if any, as the court may direct. At the time and place fixed for said hearing, or at any adjournment therefrom, the commissioners or a majority of them shall proceed to hear the parties interested, with their allegations and proofs, and shall examine the premises; and shall estimate all such damages as they think any person interested has sustained by the taking of said land or any interest or estate therein. And the commissioners or a majority of them shall make return of their doings and of the damages assessed by them, as soon as may be, to the court from which they received their appointment, with their fees marked thereon; which fees, being first allowed by the court, shall be forthwith paid by said corporation.

SEC. 6. Upon the receipt of the report of said commissioners, the clerk of the court shall open the same, and shall give public notice by advertisement for such time and in such newspaper or newspapers as the court may prescribe, that such report has been received and opened and that the same may be examined by any party interested therein; and either said company or any other party aggrieved by any award of damages made by

the said commissioners may claim a jury trial upon any item of damages thereby awarded, and may file a claim for such trial with the clerk of said court at any time within three months from the opening of such report. And such claim shall stand for trial by jury, upon proper issues based upon such claim, as other civil cases upon the docket of such court, and shall be tried therein in every respect as other civil cases are there tried, including the right to except to rulings and to apply for new trial for cause. But if the party claiming such jury trial shall not therein obtain an award more favorable to such party than that given by the commissioners, such party shall pay costs to the adverse party, and if any party claiming such jury trial shall obtain therein an award more favorable than that given by the commissioners, such party shall recover his or its costs from the adverse party.

SEC. 7. The report of the commissioners shall be confirmed by the court, after being so corrected as to conform to the findings of the jury in cases where a jury trial is claimed; and upon such confirmation, execution or executions for the damages fixed by said report as confirmed shall issue against said company as upon a judgment, in due course of law.

SEC. 8. Whenever the court shall have determined that any lands are necessary to said company for its corporate purposes, as provided in section 4, said company may immediately enter upon, take possession of, and use such lands for its corporate purposes: *Provided, however,* that no such entry or use shall be made or possession be taken, except for the purpose of making surveys, until said company shall have given the security fixed by the court, as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 9. Said company may abandon any lands or any interests or estates therein taken under the provisions of this act, by filing a notice of such abandonment in the office of the clerk of the court in which the proceedings hereinbefore provided for are pending, at any time before confirmation of the report of the commissioners appointed to assess damages. If said corporation shall not have entered upon, taken

possession of, or used the lands so abandoned, or any interest or estate therein, prior to the filing of such notice of abandonment, all proceedings for the assessment of damages for the taking of the land or the interests or estates therein so abandoned shall cease, and said corporation shall pay to any person interested in the property so abandoned all costs and expenses, if any, incurred in prosecuting for damages for the taking of such land or estates or interest therein up to the time of such abandonment, which costs shall be taxed by the clerk. If said company shall have entered upon, taken possession of, or used the lands or any interests or estates therein so abandoned prior to such abandonment, and the assessment of damages for the same is then pending before commissioners or a jury, then, upon such abandonment, said company shall have the right to give such abandonment in evidence in diminution of damages, paying costs, if the question of damages is pending, on claim of jury trial, notwithstanding a diminution of damages in consequence of such abandonment given in evidence; or if the commissioners or a jury have finally assessed the damages, said company shall have a right to a revision of the assessment and to a re-assessment, by petition to the commissioners, in order that the diminution of damages in consequence of such abandonment may be considered, with right of any party interested to claim a jury trial as in case of the original assessment.

SEC. 10. When the lands or any interests or estates therein in which any infant or other person not capable in law to act in his own behalf is interested are taken by said company under the provisions of this act, the court before which the proceedings for such taking are pending may appoint a guardian ad litem for such infant or other person, and such guardian may appear and be heard in behalf of such infant or other person at any stage of the proceedings; and such guardian may also, with the advice and consent of the court appointing him, release to said company all claims for damages for the lands of such infant or other person, or for any interest or estates therein so taken. And if there shall be any dispute as to the

title of any lands or interests or estates therein taken under the provisions of this act, or as to the persons entitled to receive the damages awarded for such taking, or if the person entitled to receive such damages is uncertain or unknown, said company may pay such damages into the registry of the court before which such proceedings are pending with the same effect as to the title of said company to such lands or interests or estates therein as though such damages had been paid to the person or persons entitled to receive the same.

SEC. 11. Any court in which any proceedings under this act shall be pending may from time to time order such other and further notices to be given, in addition to those hereinbefore prescribed, and may make such other orders, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act or with the general laws of the state, as may be required, in the opinion of such court, to protect the rights and interests of the parties interested in such proceedings. And any proceedings taken under this act may be amended or corrected at any stage, upon such terms and notice, if any, as the court may prescribe.

SEC. 12. Nothing in this act shall authorize the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company to condemn any portion of the location of any other railroad or street railway company, except for the purpose of crossing the same either above or below grade, and of maintaining suitable and convenient abutments or other supports for the structures erected or constructed for such crossing, nor to cross the tracks of any street railway company at grade, nor to acquire or exercise any right in derogation of or inconsistent with any exclusive right or franchise acquired by any street railway company under the provisions of Chapter 975 of the Public Laws, passed at the May session, A. D. 1891, or under any special act, nor shall anything in this act authorize the condemnation of any land lying within the limits of any public park or square or other public place, or any land lying within the limits of any public highway except for the purpose of crossing such highway, and subject to the use

thereof for highway purposes. Nor shall anything in this act prejudice or affect any action now pending in any court in this state.

SEC. 13. The costs of all proceedings under this act shall be taxed by the clerk of the court in which such proceedings are pending, and shall be paid by said company, except as otherwise hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 14. The common pleas division of the supreme court may sit at any time in any county for the purpose of hearing and determining any matter arising in any proceeding under this act requiring to be heard in such county and making any order, adjudication, or decree in such proceeding.

SEC. 15. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

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Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, by condemnation from time to time, such lands and such interests and estates in lands in any town, city, or district in the counties of Providence, Bristol, Kent, and Washington as said corporation may from time to time take, in manner hereinafter provided, for its corporate purposes or for the corporate purposes of any railway corporation whose property, rights, privileges, or franchises have been or may hereafter be acquired by said Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company under the authority granted by its charter or any amendment thereof. And said Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company may locate, construct, maintain, use, and operate its railway or railways and all suitable and convenient buildings, machinery, poles, wires, con-

duits, and other appurtenances and appliances of such railway or railways upon and over the lands so acquired.

SEC. 2. Whenever said company shall take any lands or any interest or estate therein under the provisions of this act, it shall file in the common pleas division of the supreme court in the county in which such lands are located a certificate containing a general description of such lands and a list of the owners thereof and the persons interested therein, so far as the same may be known to said company. Said certificate shall be accompanied by a plat showing the location of such lands, and shall contain a notice that said company will give such security as the court may require for the payment of all such costs and damages as may be finally awarded to any person interested in the lands taken in the proceedings commenced by the filing of such certificate.

SEC. 3. Upon the filing of such certificate and plat, the court shall enter an order fixing the time when and the place where all persons interested in the land in said certificate described may appear before said court and be heard with reference to the necessity of the taking of such land and the appointment of commissioners to appraise the damages sustained by them by such taking and the security to be given by said company for damages and costs; and the clerk of said court shall thereupon issue a notice, directed to the persons named in said certificate and to all other persons interested in said land, containing the substance of said certificate and said order, which notice shall be served by publication for such time and in such newspaper or newspapers as the court may prescribe, and in such other manner as the court may direct.

SEC. 4. At the time and place mentioned in said notice, or at any adjournment therefrom ordered by the court, the court, after hearing the parties interested who may appear and desire to be heard, shall first determine whether the lands in said certificate described are necessary to said company for its corporate purposes; and if it shall determine that such lands are necessary to said company, said court shall proceed to

fix the security to be given by said company for damages and costs, and appoint three suitable persons as commissioners to appraise the damages sustained by the persons interested in the lands described in said certificate by reason of the taking of said lands or of any interest or estate therein. Any vacancies in said commission which may occur from time to time shall be filled by the court, upon application of any party interested in said proceedings, and upon such notice as the court may direct.

SEC. 5. Said commissioners, before they proceed to execute their duties, shall be sworn to a faithful and impartial discharge thereof, and shall give reasonable notice, by publication or otherwise, in such manner as the court may direct, to all persons interested to file their claims, if any they have, which have not been released to said company, with the clerk of said court within thirty days from the date of said notice. At the end of the time allowed for filing such claims the commissioners or a majority of them shall fix a time and place for hearing all persons interested as to the damages by them sustained, and shall give notice of such hearing by publication in one or more of the newspapers published in the county where said lands are situated, once a week for at least three weeks prior to the date of such meeting, and shall give such further notice, if any, as the court may direct. At the time and place fixed for said hearing, or at any adjournment therefrom, the commissioners or a majority of them shall proceed to hear the parties interested, with their allegations and proofs, and shall examine the premises; and shall estimate all such damages as they think any person interested has sustained by the taking of said land or any interest or estate therein. And the commissioners or a majority of them shall make return of their doings and of the damages assessed by them, as soon as may be, to the court from which they received their appointment, with their fees marked thereon; which fees, being first allowed by the court, shall be forthwith paid by said corporation.

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and shall give public notice, by advertisement for such time and in such newspaper or newspapers as the court may prescribe, that such report has been received and opened and that the same may be examined by any party interested therein; and either said company or any other party aggrieved by any award of damages made by the said commissioners may claim a jury trial upon any item of damages thereby awarded, and may file a claim for such trial with the clerk of said court at any time within three months from the opening of such report. And such claim shall stand for trial by jury, upon proper issues based upon such claim, as other civil cases upon the docket of such court, and shall be tried therein in every respect as other civil cases are there tried, including the right to except to rulings and to apply for new trial for cause. But if the party claiming such jury trial shall not therein obtain an award more favorable to such party than that given by the commissioners, such party shall pay costs to the adverse party, unless otherwise ordered by the court; and if any party claiming such jury trial shall obtain therein an award more favorable than that given by the commissioners, such party shall recover his or its costs from the adverse party.

SEC. 7. The report of the commissioners shall be confirmed by the court, after being so corrected as to conform to the findings of the jury in cases where a jury trial is claimed; and upon such confirmation, execution or executions for the damages fixed by said report as confirmed shall issue against said company as upon a judgment, in due course of law.

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SEC. 9. Said company may abandon any lands or any interests or estates therein taken under the pro-

visions of this act, by filing a notice of such abandonment in the office of the clerk of the court in which the proceedings hereinbefore provided for are pending, at any time before confirmation of the report of the commissioners appointed to assess damages. If said corporation shall not have entered upon, taken possession of, or used the lands so abandoned, or any interest or estate therein, prior to the filing of such notice of abandonment, all proceedings for the assessment of damages for the taking of the land, or the interests or estates therein, so abandoned shall cease, and said corporation shall pay to any person interested in the property so abandoned all his costs and expenses, if any, incurred in prosecuting for damages for the taking of such land or estates or interest therein, up to the time of such abandonment, which costs shall be taxed by the clerk. If said company shall have entered upon, taken possession of, or used the lands, or any interests or estates therein, so abandoned prior to such abandonment, and the assessment of damages for the same is then pending before commissioners or a jury, then, upon such abandonment, said company shall have the right to give such abandonment in evidence in diminution of damages, paying costs, if the question of damages is pending, on claim of jury trial, notwithstanding a diminution of damages in consequence of such abandonment given in evidence; or if the commissioners or a jury have finally assessed the damages, said company shall have a right to a revision of the assessment and to a re-assessment, by petition to the commissioners, in order that the diminution of damages in consequence of such abandonment may be considered with right of any party interested to claim a jury trial as in case of the original assessment.

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other person at any stage of the proceedings; and such guardian may also, with the advice and consent of the court appointing him, release to said company all claims for damages for the lands of such infant or other person, or for any interest or estates therein, so taken. And if there shall be any dispute as to the title of any lands or interests or estates therein taken under the provisions of this act, or as to the persons entitled to receive the damages awarded for such taking, or if the person entitled to receive such damages is uncertain or unknown, said company may pay such damages into the registry of the court before which such proceedings are pending, with the same effect as to the title of said company to such lands or interests or estates therein as though such damages had been paid to the person or persons entitled to receive the same.

SEC. 11. Any court in which any proceedings under this act shall be pending may, from time to time, order such other and further notices to be given in addition to those hereinbefore prescribed, and may make such other orders, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act or with the general laws of the state, as may be required, in the opinion of such court, to protect the rights and interests of the parties interested in such proceedings. And any proceedings taken under this act may be amended or corrected at any stage, upon such terms and notice, if any, as the court may prescribe.

SEC. 12. Nothing in this act shall authorize the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company to condemn any portion of the location of any other railroad or street railway company, except for the purpose of crossing the same either above or below grade, and of maintaining suitable and convenient abutments or other supports for the structures erected or constructed for such crossing, nor to condemn any right of way in any city or town in which any other street railway company may have acquired exclusive rights or franchises under the provisions of Chapter 975 of the Public Laws, passed at the May session, A. D. 1891, or under any special act, without the consent of the

company holding such exclusive right or franchise. Nor shall anything in this act authorize the condemnation of any land lying within the limits of any public park or square or other public place, or any land lying within the limits of any public highway, except for the purpose of crossing such highway, and subject to the public use thereof for highway purposes. Nor shall anything in this act prejudice or affect any action now pending in any court in this state.

SEC. 13. The costs of all proceedings under this act shall be taxed by the clerk of the court in which such proceedings are pending, and shall be paid by said company, except as otherwise hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 14. The common pleas division of the supreme court may sit at any time in any county mentioned in this act for the purpose of hearing and determining any matter arising in any proceeding under this act requiring to be heard in such county, and making any order, adjudication, or decree in such proceeding.

SEC. 15. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SEA VIEW RAILROAD COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1887, AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

Passed April 17,
1901.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The time limited in the original act of incorporation, and the additions thereto and amendments thereof, of the Sea View Railroad Company, in which the location of said railroad shall be filed as therein provided, is hereby extended to the first day of June, A. D. 1902, and the time for the completion of said railroad is hereby extended to the first day of December, A. D. 1904.

SEC. 2. So much of the original act of incorpora-

tion of said railroad company and of the several acts in amendment thereto as are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Passed April
17, 1900.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE PENDENCY OF THE PETITION OF THE SEA VIEW RAILROAD COMPANY FOR THE PASSAGE OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SEA VIEW RAILROAD COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1887, AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Notice of the pendency of the petition of the Sea View Railroad Company for the passage of an act entitled "An act in amendment of and in addition to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Sea View Railroad Company,' passed at the May session, A. D. 1887, and of the several acts in amendment of and in addition thereto," shall be given by the petitioners therefor in five or more successive issues of some newspaper published in the city of Providence, and in one or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Kent, and in one or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Washington, after the presentation of said act; and such notice shall specify the purpose of said corporation and the towns through which its railroad shall be operated, and where the franchises of said corporation are to be acquired.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith in so far as the same applies to this act or to said act in amendment of and in addition to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Sea View Railroad Company," passed at the May session, A. D. 1887, and of the several acts in amendment of and in addition thereto are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SEA VIEW RAILROAD COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1887, AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

Passed April 27,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Sea View Railroad Company is hereby authorized and empowered to locate, lay out, and finally complete its railroad from a point on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, and crossing same above grade, in the town of North Kingstown, northerly through the towns of North Kingstown, East Greenwich, and Warwick, to a point on the southerly side of the Potowomut road (so-called) at its junction with the Post road from East Greenwich to Wickford, and there connecting its railroad with the location and tracks of the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company, which point shall be and constitute the northern terminus of the lines of the said Sea View Railroad Company.

SEC. 2. Said railroad shall be located, laid out, constructed, completed, and operated in the same manner, with the same powers, and under the same conditions, restrictions, and liabilities for the payment of damages, and in all other respects as provided in the act and amendments thereto of which this act is an amendment, to be held and used by said corporation in the manner and with the rights, powers, and duties prescribed and granted in said act of incorporation.

SEC. 3. The railroad constructed under this act, in so far as it encroaches upon or affects public highways, shall be built in such manner as shall be approved by the town councils of the towns in which the same lies.

SEC. 4. In crossing the location and tracks of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company above grade, the expense of altering and strengthening any bridge, the additional cost of maintaining same over what it now is, shall be borne by said Sea View Railroad Company and if the construction of a new bridge shall be necessary for said cross-

ing, the Sea View Railroad Company shall construct and maintain the same at its own expense.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect upon and after its passage.

Passed May 2,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PAWTUCKET STREET RAILWAY COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1885.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Pawtucket Street Railway Company shall have the right to buy and receive from and to sell and deliver to any other person or corporation power for railroad purposes, and to make contracts with reference to the same; and any other person or corporation may buy and receive from or sell and deliver to said corporation power for railroad purposes, and make contracts with reference to the same.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed April
17, 1900.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE PENDENCY OF THE PETITION OF THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD COMPANY FOR THE PASSAGE OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO THE ACT INCORPORATING SAID COMPANY AND ANY ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Notice of the pendency of the petition of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company for the passage of an act in amendment of and in addition to the act incorporating said company and any act in amendment thereof, shall be given by the petitioner therefor in eight or more successive issues of some newspaper published in the city of Providence, and in three or more issues of some news-

paper published in the county of Kent, and in three or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Newport, and in two or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Bristol, and in three or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Washington, after the presentation of said act; and such notice shall contain a statement that said act authorizes said corporation to exercise the right of eminent domain in any and all of the cities, towns, and districts in said counties.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, in so far as the same apply to this act, or to said act for notice of the pendency of which this act provides, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE PENDENCY OF THE PETITION OF THE RHODE ISLAND SUBURBAN RAILWAY COMPANY FOR THE PASSAGE OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO THE ACT INCORPORATING SAID COMPANY AND ANY ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

Passed April
12, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Notice of the pendency of the petition of the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company for the passage of an act in amendment of and in addition to the act incorporating said company and any act in amendment thereof shall be given by the petitioner therefor in eight or more successive issues of some newspaper published in the city of Providence, and in three or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Kent, and in two or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Bristol, and in three or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Washington, after the presentation of said act; and such notice shall contain a statement that said act authorizes said corporation

to exercise the right of eminent domain in any and all of the cities, towns, and districts in said counties.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, in so far as the same apply to this act or to said act for notice of the pendency of which this act provides, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE PENDENCY OF THE PETITION OF THE RHODE ISLAND SUBURBAN RAILWAY COMPANY FOR THE PASSAGE OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO THE ACT INCORPORATING SAID COMPANY AND ANY ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Notice of the pendency of the petition of the Rhode Island Suburban Railway Company for the passage of an act in amendment of and in addition to an act incorporating said company and any act in amendment thereof shall be given by the petitioner therefor for three successive weeks, after the presentation of said act, by publication each week in three or more issues of some newspaper published in the city of Providence, and in two or more issues of some newspaper published in the city of Pawtucket, in the county of Kent, and in two or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Washington, and in one or more issues of some newspaper published in the county of Bristol; and all such notices shall contain a statement that said act authorizes said corporation to exercise the right of eminent domain, and to acquire franchises in the streets and highways in any and all of the cities, towns, and districts in said counties.

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, in so far as the same apply to this act or to

said act for notice of the pendency of which this act provides, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE INTERSTATE CONSOLIDATED
STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

Passed May 2,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Interstate Consolidated Street Railway Company, a corporation created by act of the general assembly passed at the January session, A. D. 1895, may use the streets, roads, bridges, and highways of the city of Central Falls for the same purposes and with the same rights and powers, as it possesses in regard to the same in the city of Pawtucket, and it shall be subject to the same limitations, control, and authority of the city council of said city of Central Falls in regard to such use, and subject to the same rights of the city of Central Falls and the same liability, as is provided in and by the charter of said corporation for the city of Pawtucket.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have the right to buy and receive from and sell and deliver to any other person or corporation power for railroad purposes, and to make contracts with reference to the same; and any other person or corporation may buy and receive from or sell and deliver to said corporation power for railroad purposes, and make contracts with reference to the same.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PAWTUXET VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, A. D. 1868.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The directors of the Pawtuxet Valley Railroad Company are hereby authorized and empowered to create and issue bonds of said corporation to an amount not exceeding the sum of one hundred and sixty thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying and taking up and in place of the same amount of bonds which have matured and are now outstanding, and to execute a mortgage of their road, property, and franchises for the security of said bonds: *Provided, however,* that said bonds before being issued shall be countersigned by the president or treasurer of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, and shall have printed in or stamped upon them a statement or notice that the same are made and issued subject to the provisions of the lease made by said Pawtuxet Valley Railroad Company to the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, bearing date April 19th, 1884, and said bonds shall run for the term of twenty-five years from the first day of April, A. D. 1900, and shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Passed May 8,
1900.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER STREET RAILWAY COMPANY TO ACQUIRE AND TAKE OVER THE PROPERTY, RIGHTS, AND FRANCHISES OF THE NEWPORT STREET RAILWAY COMPANY AND THE NEWPORT ILLUMINATING COMPANY.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Newport Street Railway Company and the Newport Illuminating Company are hereby

authorized, not less than two-thirds in amount of the stockholders of each of said companies assenting thereto, to sell, assign, transfer, convey, and deliver, and the Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company, not less than two-thirds in amount of the stockholders of said company assenting thereto, is hereby authorized to accept, receive, take over, have, hold, use, and enjoy as and for its own all the property and franchises of the two companies first above named, and either of them; and said three companies may agree, not less than two-thirds in amount of the stockholders in each of said companies assenting thereto, as aforesaid, that the consideration for any such transfer or conveyance shall be (1) the issue to such of the stockholders of said Newport Street Railway Company and of said Newport Illuminating Company as assent thereto of shares in said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company in exchange, share for share, for their shares of stock in such selling company or companies, which latter shares shall thereupon be endorsed and delivered to said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company; and (2) the payment to such of the stockholders of said selling companies as do not assent to such sale, transfer, and conveyance, and the exchange of shares as aforesaid, of the net cash value of their shares, to be ascertained in accordance with section 2 hereof, which amount, when so ascertained, shall until paid be a claim against said purchasing company and a lien on the property and franchises transferred to said purchasing company by the company by which the stock whose value as thus ascertained was issued. But no stockholder failing to apply for and receive in cash his proportion of the net value of the assets of such corporation as aforesaid shall have any lien upon or claim against said purchasing company or the property and franchises transferred to it by the company by which the shares held by such stockholder were issued.

SEC. 2. Any stockholder in said Newport Street Railway Company or in said Newport Illuminating Company who does not within thirty days after notice duly mailed to him of his right to make exchange as

aforesaid assent to such exchange, and deliver his certificate or certificates for exchange as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive from said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company such an amount in cash for his said certificate or certificates of stock as the railroad commissioner or a jury shall, as hereinafter provided, fix and determine to be the proportion of the entire net value of the property and franchises of the company by which said stock was issued as his said certificate or certificates represent.

The railroad commissioner is hereby authorized to act as appraiser, as aforesaid, upon the application of any such stockholder, or of said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company and his decision in the premises shall be final, unless within thirty days thereafter such stockholder shall claim an appeal and file the same in the common pleas division of the supreme court in the county of Newport, in which case the value of his shares aforesaid shall be determined by a jury in the same manner as the value of land is determined in condemnation proceedings; costs to be apportioned or paid as said court may determine.

SEC. 3. Said Newport and Fall River Street Railroad Company is hereby authorized from time to time or at any time to increase its capital stock by an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars divided into five thousand shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each, so that its entire capital stock as so increased shall not exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars divided into not more than seven thousand five hundred shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each; and said increased capital stock may be issued and exchanged as hereinafter provided. Not exceeding two thousand shares of said new stock may be exchanged, share for share, for an equal number of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Newport Illuminating Company; and not exceeding ten hundred and seventy shares of said new stock may be exchanged, share for share, for an equal number of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Newport Street Railway Company; and the remaining shares of said new stock may be held in the

treasury of said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company and used and issued for any legitimate purpose or purposes of the corporation: *Provided, however,* that none of said remaining shares shall be issued for a less sum or amount to be actually paid in on each than the par value thereof.

SEC. 4. The said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company is hereby authorized and empowered from time to time and at any time to issue its mortgage bonds, bearing interest at such rate and payable at such time as may be fixed by the vote of the said company, to an amount not exceeding in all the amount of the capital stock of the said corporation, and to execute and deliver to a trustee or trustees a mortgage of all its railroad and property of every kind and description, real, personal, and mixed, including any stock in any other corporation held by it, and all its powers, rights, privileges, and franchises which it may have or in any way be entitled to at the time, or which it may hereafter acquire anywhere to secure the payment of said bonds; such mortgage to contain such powers of sale and provisions for a sinking fund as said company may provide.

SEC. 5. Upon the taking over by the Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company of the property and franchises of the Newport Street Railway Company and of the Newport Illuminating Company, as aforesaid, said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company shall have and may exercise in the city of Newport all the rights and powers which it now has by its charter in the towns of Middletown, Portsmouth, and Tiverton, or either of them, except, however, that it shall not lay its tracks in the streets enumerated in section 1 of an act in amendment of an "Act to incorporate the Newport Horse Railroad Company," passed April 24, 1885, which amendment was passed June 9, 1896. With respect to the properties and franchises of said Newport Street Railway Company and Newport Illuminating Company acquired by it as aforesaid, said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company shall enjoy the same rights, privileges, and franchises, and be subject to the



same conditions, restrictions, duties, and obligations, as have heretofore been enjoyed by or imposed upon said Newport Street Railway Company and said Newport Illuminating Company respectively.

Provided, however, in reckoning the amount to be hereafter paid by said Fall River and Newport Street Railway Company under "An act providing for a tax on street railways," passed June 15, 1898, as a tax upon its earnings, the earnings derived by it from the business of the generation and sale of electricity for the purpose of furnishing light or power in the city of Newport, taken over by it from said Newport Illuminating Company, shall be excluded; but nothing in this act shall be construed as exempting said company from continuing to pay the present tax of one per cent. upon the gross earnings of the property now belonging to the Newport Illuminating Company in accordance with the contract existing between said company and the city of Newport, under the provisions of Chapter 77 of the General Laws, dated November 15, 1898, during the remainder of the term of said contract.

SEC. 6. Said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company is hereby authorized, not less than two-thirds in amount of its stockholders assenting thereto, to consolidate with, or to lease its property and franchises to, or to enter into a contract for the operation of its road by any other street railway company organized in this or any adjoining state, with which it may connect, and any such consolidation, lease, or operating contract may be made upon such terms as may be authorized by the stockholders of said companies respectively; or said Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company may, with such assent of its stockholders, lease and operate the property and franchises or enter into a contract for the operation of the road of any such connecting street railway company or companies, upon such terms as may be authorized by the stockholders of said companies respectively. And any such connecting company or companies, with the like assent of its or their stockholders, may exercise all such powers and do all such acts as may be neces-

sary on its or their part to carry into effect any such consolidation, lease, or operating contract.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WARWICK AND COVENTRY WATER COMPANY," PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS MAY SESSION, A. D. 1887, AND ANY ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 5 of the act to incorporate the Warwick and Coventry Water Company, passed at the May session, A. D. 1887, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 5. There shall be an annual meeting of said corporation holden in the town of Warwick at such day in each year as the by-laws of said corporation shall direct, for the choice of such officers as they shall deem expedient; at all meetings of the corporation not less than a majority of the shares shall constitute a quorum for doing business, and all matters shall be decided by a majority of the votes present, allowing each stockholder in person or by proxy one vote for every share by him owned."

SEC. 2. Section 10 of the said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 10. The said Warwick and Coventry Water Company is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in such amounts as it may see fit from time to time, and to secure the same by a mortgage or mortgages of its franchises and other property or any part thereof, such bonds and mortgages to be upon such terms and conditions and executed in such form and manner as the said corporation or its directors may by vote prescribe: *Provided, however,* that such bonds at any time outstanding and so secured shall not exceed in the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE "SLATER TRUST COMPANY."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Frank A. Sayles, Hezekiah Conant, Stephen A. Jenks, Edward A. Greene, Joseph E. Jenckes, Edward S. Bowen, Frank S. Drowne, Fred W. Easton, Charles O. Read, S. M. Conant, and George W. Newell, their associates, successors, and assigns are hereby created a corporation by the name of Slater Trust Company, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 177 and 179 of the General Laws and in any act in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, together with such special powers as may be conferred upon said corporation by this act.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding one million dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; which shares shall be assignable and transferable according to the by-laws and upon the books of said corporation, and not otherwise.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have power to receive and hold moneys in trust or on deposit, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, and to allow such interest upon the same as may be obtained or agreed upon, and to loan any moneys in its hands for such interest as may be agreed upon, and to invest its capital stock and moneys in its hands in such bonds, obligations, or property, real, personal, or mixed, as it may deem prudent.

SEC. 4. Every person, not under guardianship, who may make a deposit personally with said corporation may control, transfer, or withdraw the money or securities so deposited, and the dividends or interest that have accrued or may accrue thereon, notwithstanding such person at the time of exercising such control or of making such transfer or withdrawal may be a minor.

SEC. 5. Said corporation shall have power to receive from executors, administrators, assignees, receiv-

ers, custodians, trustees, or guardians of the estate of any person moneys in their hands, and to allow such rate of interest thereon as may be agreed upon; for which deposits, so made, the capital stock of said corporation shall be pledged, and such depositors shall be first indemnified in full, in case of loss, from such stock so pledged, in preference to all other creditors of said corporation; and the deposit so made shall discharge the said executor, administrator, assignee, receiver, custodian, trustee, or guardian so making the same from all personal liability for any loss or damage which may ensue to the estate in his hands by reason of having made such deposit.

SEC. 6. Said corporation shall have power to receive, from executors, administrators, assignees, receivers, custodians, trustees, and guardians, bonds, notes, mortgages, certificates of stock, and other securities, as well as moneys, and to collect, pay over, or invest the dividends, income, interest, and profits thereof, according to the requirements of the trust upon which the said trust company shall have received the same; and such executors, administrators, assignees, receivers, custodians, trustees, and guardians depositing any of such securities with said trust company shall be exempt from liability therefor as if they had deposited moneys in their hands with the said corporation. And said corporation shall be liable therefor, and its capital stock shall be pledged and holden therefor, in the same way and to the same extent as for moneys received by it under the provisions of the next preceding section.

SEC. 7. Courts of probate are hereby authorized to appoint said corporation guardian or custodian of the estate only, of any person who may be subject to guardianship; and said corporation may accept and act under such appointment: *Provided*, that said corporation shall not be authorized to act in any case as executor, administrator, guardian, or custodian, and no letters testamentary, of administration, guardianship, or of custodianship shall be issued to said corporation, until its acceptance of the appointment and trust shall

be filed and recorded in the probate court in which said appointment shall be made.

SEC. 8. In all cases in which said corporation shall receive and accept appointment as executor, administrator, guardian, or custodian of any estate, bond shall be given by said corporation in the same manner as provided by law in the case of individuals so appointed; except that said corporation shall not be required to give sureties upon such bonds unless some person pecuniarily interested in such estate shall, before such bond is given, file a written request in the court of probate making said appointment that bond with surety be given; in which case such court may in its discretion, require said corporation to give bond, with surety or sureties satisfactory to such court, in the same manner as provided by law in the case of individuals appointed as aforesaid.

SEC. 9. Said corporation shall also have power to accept and execute all such trusts, and to hold in trust all such property, of every description, as may be committed to it by any person or persons or by any corporation, or by any court of this state or of the United States; and also to accept and execute the office and appointment of executors, administrators, custodians, guardians, assignees, or receivers of any kind or nature whatever, whether such office or appointment be conferred or made by any person or persons, or by any court of probate or other court; and the whole capital stock of said corporation shall be taken and considered as the sole security required by law for the faithful performance of its duties as such executor, administrator, custodian, guardian, assignee, or receiver, and shall be absolutely liable in case of any default; and any court of probate in this state is hereby empowered, in its discretion, to appoint said corporation as administrator in any case within its jurisdiction, excepting upon the estate of a wife dying intestate.

SEC. 10. Said corporation shall also have power to receive and execute all trusts which may be created or transferred to it by the decree of any court, and to receive all moneys that may be deposited with it by

any order of court, upon such terms as may be agreed upon; and every court into which moneys may be paid by parties to any proceeding therein, or may be brought by order or judgment, may by order direct the same to be deposited with said corporation.

SEC. 11. Said corporation shall not be required to assume or execute any trust without its own assent.

SEC. 12. Said corporation may issue certificates for the amount of all moneys deposited with it in trust or otherwise, which shall be assignable and transferable under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the directors.

SEC. 13. Said corporation shall be required to deposit with the general treasurer of this state, in bonds of this state or of the state of New York, or some one of the New England states or of the United States, or in bonds or notes of any town, city, or district in New England whose indebtedness does not exceed one-fifth of its assessed valuation, an amount that shall be at all times equal in market value to twenty per cent. of the outstanding capital stock of said corporation, which bonds and notes shall be held by said treasurer as a deposit to secure the faithful performance by said corporation of its duties as executor, administrator, guardian, assignee, custodian, or receiver, and also as a security for the repayment of moneys deposited with said corporation by executors, administrators, guardians, assignees, custodians, receivers, or trustees on special agreement, and by reason of which deposits such depositors are exonerated under this act from personal liability to the estates on account of which such deposits were made; and the parties intended hereby to be secured by such deposit shall, in case of loss, be first fully indemnified out of such deposit in preference to all other creditors of said corporation.

SEC. 14. Upon receipt by said general treasurer of such deposit of bonds or notes from said corporation, said general treasurer shall give to said corporation a certificate of the fact and amount of such deposit; said general treasurer shall at all times pay over to said corporation the interest which may be received upon such bonds and notes, and shall at all times permit

said corporation, by its treasurer or other authorized agent, to receive all coupons on the same as they shall mature, and to collect for the use of said corporation all interest due thereon or on said bonds or notes, however the same may be evidenced or secured; and shall also permit said corporation to retire any bond or note so deposited with him, on substituting therefor other bonds or notes of any or either of the classes mentioned above to such an amount that the market value of the whole deposit shall not be less than the amount required by the provisions of the next preceding section.

SEC. 15. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to receive upon deposit and for safe keeping plate, jewelry, stocks, bonds, and property of every description, upon terms to be prescribed by said corporation; also to construct, own, or lease suitable places for the reception and deposit of such property, and to let the use of any of the same to individuals or corporations, upon such terms as said corporation may prescribe; and said corporation shall in no case incur any responsibility or liability on account of the deposits of any such property so made with it, or by reason of the hiring from it of any such place of deposit, other than such liability as said corporation shall directly assume in each case by the terms of the particular agreement, contract, or receipt under which it shall have accepted such deposit or shall have let such place of deposit; but nothing in this section shall be construed so as in any way to vary the liability of said corporation under the preceding sections of this act for any moneys which may be received to be managed by said corporation, in the ordinary course of its business, under the powers granted in such preceding sections.

SEC. 16. Said corporation may take, purchase, hold, sell, convey, lease, or improve property or estates of any kind, either real or personal, and is also authorized and empowered to transact a general warehouse and storage business and to do and perform all such matters and things as are connected therewith or are incidental to the powers hereby conferred.

SEC. 17. Said corporation shall have an office or place of business in the city of Pawtucket, and may locate branches within this state.

SEC. 18. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE INDUSTRIAL TRUST COMPANY," AND THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

Passed Feb. 7,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The capital stock of the Industrial Trust Company shall be a sum not exceeding two million dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or by vote of the corporation or of its board of directors, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PROVIDENCE INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS," AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The act passed at the October session, A. D. 1819, entitled "An act to incorporate the Providence Institution for Savings," and the several acts in amendment thereof are hereby amended so as to permit the payment of the president of said institution for any time being such salary or other emoluments for his services as the board of trustees of said institution for any time being shall see fit.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed May 3,
1900.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNION TRUST COMPANY.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The capital stock of the Union Trust Company shall be a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which shares shall be assignable and transferable according to the by-laws upon the books of said corporation and not otherwise.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall have power to receive from executors, administrators, assignees, trustees, guardians, receivers, or custodians on the estate of any person, moneys in their hands, to allow such rate of interest thereon as may be agreed upon, for which deposit so made the capital stock of said corporation shall be pledged, and such depositors shall be first indemnified in full, in case of loss, from such stock so pledged in preference to all other creditors of such corporation, and the deposits so made shall discharge the said executor, administrator, assignee, trustee, guardian, receiver, or custodian so making the same from all personal liability for any such damage which may ensue to the estate in his hands by reason of having made such deposit.

SEC. 3. Courts of probate are hereby authorized to appoint said corporation guardian of the estate only of any person who may be subject to guardianship; and also as custodian of the estate of any person, and said corporation may accept and act under such appointment: *Provided*, that said corporation shall not be authorized to act in any case as executor, administrator, guardian, or custodian, and no letters testamentary, of administration, or of guardianship shall be issued to said corporation, until its acceptance of the appointment and trust shall be filed and recorded in the probate court in which said appointment shall be made.

SEC. 4. Every person not under guardianship who may make a deposit personally with said corporation

may control, transfer, or withdraw the money or securities so deposited and the dividends or interest that have accrued or may accrue thereon, notwithstanding such person at the time of exercising such control or of making such transfer or withdrawal may be a minor.

SEC. 5. Said corporation may issue certificates for the amount of all moneys deposited with it in trust or otherwise, which shall be assignable and transferable under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the directors.

SEC. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to receive upon deposit and for safe keeping plate, jewelry, stocks, bonds, and property of every description, upon terms to be prescribed by said corporation; also to construct, own, or lease suitable places for the reception and deposit of such property, and to let the use of any of the same to individuals or corporations upon such terms as said corporation may prescribe; and said corporation shall in no case incur any responsibility or liability on account of the deposit of any such property so made with it, or by reason of the hiring from it of any such place of deposit, other than such liability as said corporation shall directly assume in each case by the terms of the particular agreement, contract, or receipt under which it shall have accepted such deposit or shall have let such place of deposit; but nothing in this section shall be construed so as in any way to vary the liability of said corporation under the preceding sections of this act for any moneys which may be received to be managed by said corporation, in the ordinary course of its business, under the powers granted in such preceding sections.

SEC. 7. Said corporation may purchase, hold, sell, convey, lease, or improve property or estate of any kind, either real or personal, and is also authorized and empowered to transact a general warehouse and storage business and to do and perform all such matters and things as are connected therewith or are incidental to the powers hereby conferred.

SEC. 8. In case any deposit shall be made by any person or persons in said institution in his or her name

or names as trustee or executor, said person or persons may control said deposits absolutely without any liability on the part of said corporation for their dealings with said deposits so made.

SEC. 9. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Passed May 3,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GORHAM SAVINGS BANK
OF PROVIDENCE.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Edward Holbrook, George H. Robinson, Wm. H. Crins, John F. P. Lawton, Fred. Grinnell, Fred C. Lawton, E. Frank Aldrich, Joseph Baker, Jr., Henry C. Bushnell, Joseph Straker, Christopher Webster, and Ambrose E. Peck are hereby created and made a body corporate, by the name and style of the "Gorham Savings Bank," with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 178 and 179 of the General Laws and any act in amendment thereof or in addition thereto, together with such special powers as may be conferred on said corporation by this act, and they, and such others as shall be elected members of said corporation, as in this act provided, shall be and remain a body corporate with perpetual succession; shall have full power and authority to make and establish such rules, regulations, and by-laws for the government of said corporation and the management of its affairs as they may deem necessary and expedient, not repugnant to the law; and shall also have power and authority at any legal meeting to elect, by ballot or otherwise, any other person or persons members of said corporation.

SEC. 2. Said corporation shall meet in Providence, on the last Monday in June, annually, and as much oftener as they may judge expedient. Any five members, of whom two at least shall be directors, shall be a quorum. At said annual meeting said corporation shall

have power to elect a president, vice-president, and five directors who, together, shall constitute a board of trustees and shall continue in office one year and until others are chosen in their stead. The president and vice-president and each director shall signify his acceptance of said trust, in writing, to the secretary, which acceptance shall be recorded.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall be capable of receiving from any person or persons any deposit or deposits of money, and to use and improve the same for the purpose and according to the directions herein provided: *Provided*, that the whole amount so received shall not at any time exceed five hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 4. All moneys received by said corporation, on deposit or otherwise, shall be used, improved, or invested by the board of directors or trustees to the best advantage of such depositors; and the income or profits thereof shall be by them applied and divided among the several depositors, their heirs, executors, or administrators, in just proportions, with such reasonable deductions for the expenses and management of the affairs of said corporation, as the same may require. And said corporation shall not be allowed to hold a surplus exceeding ten per cent., after the interest has been paid or credited to the depositors and the current expenses paid.

SEC. 5. All accounts on which no deposit or draft shall be made for twenty years in succession shall be so far closed that neither the sums deposited nor the interest which shall have accrued thereon shall be entitled to any interest after the expiration of twenty years from the time of the last deposit or draft.

SEC. 6. This corporation may purchase and hold such real estate as may be convenient for its business, not exceeding the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and may hold such other real estate as may have been mortgaged to them for moneys loaned agreeable to the provisions of this act, and may also hold any real estate purchased at sales on judgments or decrees obtained or rendered for moneys so loaned, and said corporation shall not purchase, hold, or convey real estate

in any other case or for any other purpose; and the said corporation shall not directly or indirectly deal or trade in buying or selling any goods, wares, or commodities whatever, except in cases specially authorized by this act, and except, also, such articles as may be necessary and convenient for the transaction of its business. All conveyances of real estate from said corporation, by deed, shall be by the president and the treasurer, under their respective names and stations.

SEC. 7. All persons of any age shall have a right to deposit in this institution, under the rules and regulations which may be established by the board of directors, and all deposits made by married women personally may be legally withdrawn by them, and all drafts, receipts, or other writings touching said deposit or deposits shall be valid or binding to parties; and every minor, whether under guardianship or not, who shall personally deposit in said institution may control said deposit and withdraw the same or receive the income thereon as effectual and valid in law as if he had been of full age.

SEC. 8. *Object of this corporation.* 1. To enable all persons to invest such part of their earnings or property as they may choose, and in a manner which will afford them security and profit.

2. *Management.* The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a president, vice-president, and five directors who together shall constitute the board of trustees as aforesaid. They shall have power to elect a treasurer, secretary, and such other officers as they may deem expedient, and to fill all vacancies in their board which may happen during the year. In electing treasurer, secretary, or other officers, or in filling vacancies in their own board, there shall be present a majority of the board, including either the president or the vice-president. They shall meet at least twice in every year and as much oftener as they may deem necessary, and also whenever the president or any two directors shall require it; and it shall be the duty of the treasurer to notify such meetings, either by personal notice or by advertisements in one of the newspapers printed in Providence; and at all meetings of

the board of trustees, except for the election of officers as aforesaid, three members shall make a quorum. It shall be the duty of the board of trustees to cause the moneys deposited to be invested in some public stocks, in bank or other stocks, or in private securities, according to law, at the discretion of the standing committee of the board. The members of the board shall not receive any emolument for their services, nor shall any money be loaned to any individual member thereof. Any member of the board who shall be present when any loan to an individual member shall be made, and shall not at that time request his protest to be entered in writing on the records of the proceedings of the board against the same, shall be considered and held liable for the amount of every such loan in his individual person and property. The said members of the board, except as aforesaid, shall not be responsible for any losses which may happen from whatever cause, except their wilful, corrupt misconduct, in which case those only who were present and guilty of such misconduct shall be responsible for the same. The board of trustees at any meeting at which a majority of the members are present may appoint a standing committee of not less than three of said board who may, under the general regulations and by-laws established by said board, superintend the deposits and negotiate the loans made by this corporation; and the said board may, a majority being present, and after notice of such intention at some previous meeting of such board, make such other and further rules, regulations, and by-laws, or alterations of those already made, as they may think expedient; the said corporation having the right at any regular meeting thereof afterwards of disallowing the same. All such rules, regulations, and by-laws, and alterations shall be equally binding on all depositors as those by them subscribed, the same being first duly made known.

3. *The Treasurer.* The treasurer, before he enters on the duties of his office, shall give bond with sufficient surety or sureties, to the corporation, to be determined by the board of trustees for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. He may receive such rea-

sonable compensation for his services as may be allowed by the board of trustees, but no moneys shall be loaned to him ; he shall receive all deposits, enter the same on the books of the corporation, pay out all dividends which may be declared, and render an account of the property and funds of the corporation to the board of trustees, or the corporation, when requested thereto by a vote. He shall notify all annual or special meetings of said corporation, in one of the newspapers published in Providence, at least five days before the same is to be held.

4. All deposits shall be made at the office of the treasurer, in the city of Providence. The smallest deposit, and the lowest sum which shall be put upon interest, shall be one dollar. An account shall be given in a book or otherwise to each depositor, by the treasurer, of the sum deposited, which shall be the evidence of the depositor's property in said corporation, who shall, on making the first deposit, subscribe and thereby signify his assent to the rules, regulations, and by-laws of the corporation.

5. At such times as the board of trustees shall determine there shall be declared and paid, on all sums of and above one dollar which shall have been deposited, a dividend of such per centum per annum as the board shall determine; and a proportionate rate of interest shall be paid on any such sum which shall have been deposited for the space of three months preceding. No interest shall be paid on any sums withdrawn for the period which may have elapsed since the last dividend: *Provided*, that at the time of making any dividend, or within one month thereafter, the board of trustees may, at their pleasure, pay off the whole or any deposits due to any depositor whose aggregate sum shall amount to two hundred dollars, or such proportion thereof as they may think proper.

6. *Mode of Receiving Dividends and of Withdrawing Deposits.* Dividends may be received either personally or by the order in writing of the depositors, or by letter of attorney. Deposits shall only be withdrawn by the depositor or some person by him or her legally authorized ; but no person shall receive any

part of his principal or dividends without producing the original book, that such payment may be entered thereon: *Provided, however*, that in case of the accidental loss of the original book, the board of trustees may determine upon what reasonable terms a new book may be granted. No money shall be withdrawn, except one week's notice of the intention to withdraw the same shall be given by such depositor to the treasurer, in writing, unless the consent of three of the trustees shall have been obtained therefor, and no sum less than one dollar shall be withdrawn.

7. *Institution.—How Dissolved.* The board of trustees, by vote of the major part of the whole number, may at any time divide the whole property among the depositors in proportion to their respective interests therein, upon giving three months' notice thereof, and shall also have power to refuse any deposit after they have determined to dissolve said corporation.

SEC. 9. The foregoing shall be the regulations for the government of said corporation, as a part of this act.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ISLAND SAVINGS BANK," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1873.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of an act in amendment of and in addition to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Island Savings Bank," passed at the May session, A. D. 1873, to which this is in addition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following, to wit:

"And no money on deposit shall be entitled to any interest after notice to withdraw the same shall have been given by said board of trustees, pursuant to the provisions of this clause, to the owner of such money or his legal representatives."

SEC. 2. Said Island Savings Bank may discriminate between deposits by declaring and paying smaller dividends on the excess of any deposit over two thousand dollars than on the residue of the deposit; but such

difference in dividends shall not exceed one per cent. per annum, nor be made against deposits for charitable purposes; and nothing herein contained shall be construed as attempting to authorize any change in the terms of a deposit without the consent of the owner or owners thereof, or of his, her, or their guardian or guardians.

SEC. 3. The Island Savings Bank, in addition to the powers now conferred upon it by law, is hereby authorized and empowered to take, hold, and apply trust moneys and securities, and the income thereof, deposited with it or which may in any way come under its control for charitable or other uses, in like manner as natural persons might take, hold, and apply the same under existing laws.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CONDUCTORS AND ENGINEERS INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT COMPANY.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Walter C. Harden, Isaac G. Niles, Charles T. Sheldon, Charles A. Whipple, Theodore B. Wardwell, John C. Rice, E. E. Perry, G. F. Lincoln, J. A. Spaulding, and Chas. E. Bullard, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby created a corporation under the name of "The Conductors and Engineers International Investment Company," for the purpose of encouraging and developing among its members provident habits of saving, and to enable them to accumulate by monthly investments from their earnings a fund available in cases of injury, sickness, or other disability, and to this end it may loan any money in its hands, invest its capital stock and moneys in such stock, bonds, obligations, or property, real or personal, as it may deem desirable; and for the transaction of such other business connected therewith or incidental thereto, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapter 177 of the General Laws and in any act in amend-

ment thereof or in addition thereto: *Provided, however,* that nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to authorize said corporation to do a banking business of any kind, except so far as the same may be necessary to carry on its proper business.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and shall be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of five dollars each, which shares shall be assignable and transferable according to the by-laws of said corporation and not otherwise.

SEC. 3. The stock or shares of every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation, and whether arising from assessments or installments or in any other manner, and whether overdue or due at a day future; and said stock or shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to discharge such debts or demands, with the incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have its action against the debtor for the balance overdue.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have an office or place of business in the city of Providence.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT PASSED MAY 13, 1896, ENTITLED 'AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED 'AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE MANUFACTURERS' FOUNDRY MACHINE AND POWER COMPANY,'" PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1896.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of an act amending the charter of the Woonsocket Electric Machine and Power

Company, passed at the January session, 1896, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Section 3 of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have authority, with the consent of the board of aldermen of the city of Woonsocket and of the town council of the town of North Smithfield, severally, to open the ground in any part of the streets, lanes, and highways thereof for the purpose of laying, relaying, and repairing pipes for conducting gas: *Provided*, that the work shall be commenced on or before July 25, A. D. 1905.'

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts of which this is an amendment which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed May 8,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SWEENEY GRANITE WORKS.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. John W. Sweeney, Martin Sweeney, and Eugene Sweeney, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby created and constituted a corporation by the name of the Sweeney Granite Works, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, managing, improving, leasing, and selling lands, acquiring and cutting stone, and for the carrying on of a stone business in all its branches, and with full power and authority generally to do and execute all acts, matters, and things which may be deemed necessary or convenient to carry into effect the purpose of this act, with all rights, powers, and privileges, and subject to all duties and liabilities, set forth in Chapters 177 and 180 of the General Laws and any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of the Sweeney Granite Works shall be a sum not to exceed two hundred thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time, and divided into such number of shares, and the par value of each share to be fixed at such amount,

and the shares to be transferred in such manner, as shall be prescribed by vote of said corporation. Said corporation may issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to run for such time and at such rate of interest as shall be prescribed by vote of said corporation. To secure the payment of such bonds with the interest thereon said corporation may make a mortgage or mortgages of any or all of its property.

SEC. 3. The stock or shares of every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholders to the corporation, and whether overdue or due at a day future, and whether owing from installments or assessments or in any other manner, and said stock or shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to discharge such debts or demands, with the incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have its action against the debtor for any balance due.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have a place of business in the town of Westerly.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BERRY SPRING LITHIA
WATER COMPANY.

Passed May 2,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Silas B. Havens, Sylvanus Mason, William H. Barclay, Philo E. Thayer, D. Charles Cattanch, and E. L. Freeman, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of Berry Spring Lithia Water Company, of Pawtucket, R. I., for the purpose of manufacturing, bottling, and selling lithia, mineral, and other waters, and other non-intoxicating beverages, and for the transaction of any other business connected therewith or incidental there-

to, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 177 and 180 of the General Laws or in any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the vote of the directors, and shall be divided into shares of the par value of ten dollars each.

SEC. 3. At every meeting of the corporation the stockholders therein shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by them respectively.

SEC. 4. The stock and shares of each and every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation whether overdue or to become due, and whether arising from assessments, non-payment of installments, or in other manner, and said stock and shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the by-laws of the corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale or sales shall be insufficient to discharge such debts and demands, with the incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have its action against the debtor for the balance due.

SEC. 5. No stock or shares shall be sold by any stockholder, his executors or administrators, unless the same shall be first offered in writing to the corporation at such price as the person or persons selling is or are willing to accept therefor, and ten days shall be allowed the corporation in which to accept or decline such offer.

SEC. 6. Said corporation shall have an office or counting-room in the city of Pawtucket.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PEARCE-MAURAN LAND
COMPANY.Passed May 2,
1900.*It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:*

SECTION 1. Edward D. Pearce, William C. Waterman, and Charles L. Jenks, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the "Pearce-Mauran Land Company," for the purpose of acquiring, holding, managing, improving, leasing, and selling real estate, and by that name shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapter 177 of the General Laws and of any act in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed two hundred thousand dollars, and may be fixed from time to time by a vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of five hundred dollars each.

SEC. 3. At every meeting of the corporation the stockholders therein shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by them respectively.

SEC. 4. The stock or shares of each stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for any and all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation, whether overdue or due at a future day, and said shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the corporation may by by-laws prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale shall not be sufficient to satisfy such demand or debt, with incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have its action against the debtor for the balance due.

SEC. 5. No stockholder shall sell his stock or any portion thereof without first giving the corporation the refusal of the same at the lowest price for which he is willing to sell the same.

SEC. 6. The annual meeting of the corporation for the election of officers shall be held at its place of business, which shall be in the city of Providence.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect on and after the passage thereof.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PROVIDENCE REALTY
COMPANY.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. N. Curtis Fletcher, Robert L. Walker, and Lewis H. Tappan, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a corporation for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring, holding, using, managing, improving, leasing, mortgaging and selling, exchanging, or otherwise disposing of real estate or any interest or right therein, and for the transaction of any business connected therewith or incidental thereto, including the purchase and sale of securities, sealed or unsealed, connected therewith or incidental thereto, by name of Providence Realty Company, with all the powers and privileges, but subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapter 177 of the General Laws of Rhode Island and of any act in amendment thereof or in addition thereto. Nothing in this act shall authorize the corporation hereby created to do a banking business.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the vote or by the by-laws of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have an office and place of business in the city of Providence.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed April 26,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMERICAN BALL COMPANY.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. William Penn Mather, William S. Friedlander, Albert Horton, William Thomas Eyer, and Charles J. Marbach, their associates, and successors, and assigns, are hereby created a corporation by the name of the American Ball Company, for the purpose of carrying on the business of manufacturing spherical

balls and of manufacturing any and all articles required in said business, and of buying and selling real estate incidental thereto and for the transaction of any business connected therewith, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 177 and 180 of the General Laws and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, to be fixed at an amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and shall be transferred in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws or vote of the corporation.

SEC. 3. The stock of every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation, and whether overdue or due at a future date, and whether arising from assessments or in any other manner, and said stock or shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands, in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale be insufficient to satisfy such debts or demands with incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have an action against the debtor for the balance due.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have an office or place of business in the city of Providence.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE R. F. SIMMONS COMPANY.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Joseph L. Sweet, Edgar L. Hixon, and Harold E. Sweet, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby created a corporation by the name of the R. F. Simmons Company, for the purpose of manufacturing, buying, and selling jewelry and articles useful and ornamental in metal or other substance, and

for the purpose of buying, owning, and holding real estate for business purposes, with power to lease or again to sell the same, and for the purpose of transacting any business connected therewith or incidental thereto, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 177 and 180 of the General Laws and in any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of par value not exceeding one hundred dollars each. Said stock shall be assignable and transferable according to the by-laws, and upon the books of the corporation, and not otherwise. All certificates of stock issued by said corporation shall have printed upon the back thereof section 5 of this act. No stockholder shall transfer his stock or shares or any portion of the same without first giving the corporation the refusal of the same in accordance with the by-laws of said corporation, and if in such case said corporation shall elect to purchase said shares at the price so fixed, such stockholder shall upon the price being tendered to him convey said shares to said corporation.

SEC. 3. At every meeting of the corporation the stockholders therein shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by them respectively.

SEC. 4. The stock or shares of every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation, and whether arising from assessments or installments or in any other manner, and whether overdue or due at a day future, and said stock or shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to discharge such debts and demands, with incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have its action against the debtor for the balance due.

SEC. 5. Said corporation shall have the right at any time to purchase of any stockholder all the stock of said corporation owned by him, provided the same does not exceed one hundred shares, upon giving such notice and paying such fair price for the same, not less than the par value of such shares at the time they were acquired by such stockholders, as shall be fixed from time to time by the by-laws of said corporation; and such stockholder upon the price so fixed being tendered to him shall convey such shares to said corporation, providing that the by-laws fixing such price shall have been in existence at the time said stock was acquired by such stockholder, or that such by-laws have been expressly assented to in writing by such stockholder.

SEC. 6. Said corporation shall have an office in the city of Providence.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE VULCANIZED RUBBER SPINDLE COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1888, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE NAME OF SAID CORPORATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Passed April 27,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Rubber Spindle Company," passed at the May session, A. D. 1888, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Oscar A. Newell, William F. Aldrich, George L. Pearce, Frank A. Newell, J. Henry Fales, and P. F. Parsons, their associates, successors, and assigns, are hereby made a corporation by the name of 'Plymouth Rock Mining Company,' for the purpose of mining, smelting, amalgamating, and otherwise treating ores and metals, or any manufacturing or mechanical business connected therewith or incidental thereto; with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapters 177 and

180 of the General Laws and in any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto."

SEC. 2. Section 2 of said act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Rubber Spindle Company" is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to be fixed in amount from time to time by the by-laws or vote of the corporation. Said stock shall be divided into shares of ten dollars each and shall be transferred in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws of said corporation."

SEC. 3. Section 3 of said act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Rubber Spindle Company" is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. The stock or shares of every stockholder shall be pledged and liable to the corporation for all debts and demands due and owing from such stockholder to the corporation, and whether arising from assessments or installments or in any other manner, and whether overdue or due at any day future, and said stock or shares may be sold for the payment of such debts and demands in such manner as the by-laws of said corporation may prescribe; and in case the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to discharge such debts or demands, with the incidental expenses of sale, the corporation may have their action against the debtor for the balance due."

SEC. 4. Section 4 of said act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Rubber Spindle Company" is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have an office or place of business in the city of Providence."

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT
TO INCORPORATE THE RIVERSIDE COTTON MILL," PASSED
MAY 29, 1885. Passed April 20,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation created by an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Riverside Cotton Mill," passed at the May session of the general assembly, A. D. 1885, is hereby changed to the "Oriental Manufacturing Company," and by said last mentioned name said corporation shall have all the rights, powers, and privileges, and shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities it would have been entitled or subjected to had its name not been changed.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT
TO INCORPORATE THE SHELDON BUILDING COMPANY." Passed April 19,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Sheldon Building Company, a corporation created by an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Sheldon Building Company," passed at the May session, A. D. 1891, is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate four hundred thousand dollars, of which twenty-five thousand dollars may be preferred stock. The holders of such preferred stock shall be entitled to receive from the net earnings of said company dividends at such times and in such amounts as the stockholders may determine; and if the net earnings of any one year shall not suffice to pay such dividends the said dividend shall be cumulative and payable out of the net earnings of subsequent years, but without interest. The said dividends shall have priority over dividends on all other stock, and no dividends shall be paid on the common stock so long as there is any arrear of dividends unpaid on said preferred stock.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Passed May 4,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BARDEN MOTOR AND METER COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1890, AND OF AN ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1892.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The corporate name of the Drake, Payson, and Whittier Electric Company, formerly the Barden Motor and Meter Company, is hereby changed to Rhode Island Electrical Equipment Company.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on and after its passage.

Passed Feb. 1,
1900.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE HARRISON YARN AND DYEING COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL STOCK.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Harrison Yarn and Dyeing Company of Pawtucket, a corporation established and organized under an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Harrison Yarn and Dyeing Company," passed by the general assembly of Rhode Island, February 28, A. D. 1893, is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock beyond the amount in said act limited to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE R. BLISS MANUFACTURING COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, 1873.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The R. Bliss Manufacturing Company is hereby authorized to issue its capital stock, in addition to that heretofore authorized by the general as-

sembly, to the extent of fifty thousand dollars; the shares of said additional capital stock to be of a par value of one hundred dollars each, and all of said additional stock to be preferred stock.

SEC. 2. The holders of said preferred stock shall be entitled to receive dividends at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at such times as may be determined by the directors of said corporation, and said corporation shall guarantee the payment of said dividends to said preferred stockholders at the times determined.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have the right at any time after the expiration of five years from the date of issue of said preferred stock, and after all the dividends shall have been paid thereon, to redeem the whole or any part or parts of said preferred stock at one hundred and ten dollars per share.

SEC. 4. Owners of preferred stock issued under the authority of this act shall have the same rights of voting and transfer as are enjoyed by the owners of the other stock, and said preferred stock shall be reckoned with the other stock in all questions of majorities and quorums.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CROWELL AND WORTHINGTON COMPANY," PASSED AT THE MAY SESSION, A. D. 1888.

Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The act entitled "An act to incorporate the Crowell and Worthington Company," passed at the May session, A. D. 1888, is hereby amended by changing the name of said corporation to that of the "Universal Piston Packing Company," with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities of said first named corporation; and in addition thereto said corporation shall have the right of manufacturing, selling, repairing, and dealing in engines and parts thereof, machines, and mechanical apparatus.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed May 2,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GREENE FARM LAND COMPANY," PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1899.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. Section 2 of an act to incorporate the Greene Farm Land Company, passed at the January session, A. D. 1899, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to be fixed in amount from time to time by vote of the corporation, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. Said shares shall be transferred in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws of the corporation, but no stock shall be sold by any stockholder, his executors or administrators, unless the same shall be first offered in writing to the corporation at the lowest price the person or persons selling is or are willing to receive therefor, and ten days shall be allowed to the corporation in which to accept or decline such offer."

SEC. 2. Section 5 of said act is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"SEC. 5. Said corporation shall have an office or place of business in the town of Warwick, in the state of Rhode Island, and there shall be an annual meeting of the stockholders held in said town of Warwick at such time as the by-laws shall prescribe for the choice of officers and for such other business as shall come before them; but the validity of this act shall not be impaired by the failure to hold such meeting, and the business of such meeting may be transacted at any legal meeting of the corporation held thereafter."

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

AN ACT TO CREATE THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF PROVIDENCE, AND HIS SUCCESSORS, A CORPORATION SOLE.

Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The present Roman Catholic bishop of the diocese of Providence and his successors in office be and is hereby created a body politic and a corporation sole, under the name and style of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence, and by that name the said bishop and his successors in office shall be known and shall hereafter have succession, with all the powers, rights, and privileges prescribed, and subject to all the liabilities and duties of Chapter 177 of the General Laws and in any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto. And in the event of a vacancy in the office of bishop owing to the decease of an incumbent, or should any bishop in said office be or become incapacitated from performing his duties therein, then the person regularly appointed administrator of said diocese shall, while his appointment as administrator continues, have the same powers as are by this act conferred upon the Roman Catholic bishop of said diocese.

SEC. 2. The said corporation shall be empowered to receive, take, and hold, by sale, gift, lease, devise, or otherwise, real and personal estate of every description, for charitable, educational, burial, religious, and church purposes, and to manage, sell, and dispose of the same for the religious and charitable purposes of the Roman Catholic church, subject to the laws of the state and to the terms of any trust set forth in any bequest, devise, deed, or conveyance of any such estate, or which may now exist or result by implication or force of law, with such limitations as may by law govern any such trust, with full power, subject to the laws of the state and to the terms of such trusts, to convey the said estate by deed of mortgage for the payment of money as well as by deed absolute.

SEC. 3. The present Roman Catholic bishop of Providence shall, within six months after the passage

of this act, make, sign, and swear to a statement, which he shall submit to the secretary of state, setting forth that he lawfully and regularly holds the office of Roman Catholic bishop of Providence, and that he accepts the provisions of this act and will duly conform to them. If it appears that the statement has been duly made the secretary of state shall certify that fact by his endorsement thereon, and cause the statement with the endorsement thereon to be recorded, and shall thereupon issue a certificate to the person making the statement reciting this act, the substance of the statement aforesaid, and that said Roman Catholic bishop of Providence and his successors are legally established as and are made an existing corporation under the name of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions which by law appertain thereto. The secretary shall sign the same and cause the seal of the state to be thereto affixed, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the existence of such corporation. He shall also cause a record of such certificate to be made, and a certified copy of such record may be given in evidence with like effect as the original certificate.

SEC. 4. Every successor in the office of bishop of Providence, and every person duly appointed to administer the office for any cause, shall forthwith make, sign, and swear to a statement, which he shall immediately file in the office of the secretary of the state, setting forth that he is a citizen of the United States, that at the time of making such statement he lawfully and regularly held the office of bishop of Providence, or the office of administrator of the diocese thereof, as the case may be, and that he has accepted said office and commenced the duties thereof; and in addition thereto he shall submit to the secretary of state his letter of appointment in evidence of his being bishop.

SEC. 5. The corporation shall be subject to all laws of this state regulating corporations established for religious and charitable purposes.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE CERTAIN PERSONS BY THE NAME OF THE MINISTER, CHURCH WARDENS, VESTRY, AND PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH IN PAWTUCKET, NORTH PROVIDENCE."

Passed May 2,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Minister, Church Wardens, Vestry, and Parish of St. Paul's Church in Pawtucket, North Providence," passed at the February session, 1816, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. There shall be an annual meeting of said corporation on Easter Monday yearly and every year, at which meeting there shall be elected from members of the corporation two wardens and twelve vestry-men. The minister, the treasurer for the time being, the two wardens and the said twelve vestry-men shall constitute the vestry of sixteen members, with power to fill any vacancy therein. There shall also be elected at said annual meeting a secretary, who shall also be vestry clerk, and such other officers as may be judged necessary or expedient. All officers elected by the corporation shall hold their respective offices until the next annual meeting thereof, and until others are chosen to fill their places. Special meetings of the corporation shall be called by the secretary whenever requested thereto in writing by the minister, by the wardens, by five members of the vestry, or by twelve members of the corporation. Notices of every meeting of the corporation shall be read to the congregation during divine service on the Sunday next preceding such meeting. Notice of any special meeting must state the business to be brought forward at that meeting. No business shall be transacted at any special meeting of the corporation other than that specified in the notice by which such meeting shall have been called."

SEC. 2. Section 8 of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. The following persons shall be eligible for membership of the said corporation, and may be admitted thereto by a majority of votes at any regular meeting of said corporation:

a. Owners of pews or of portions thereof, so appearing by the records of the corporation.

b. The heir or heirs of any such owner occupying such pew or portion thereof paying taxes assessed against the same.

c. Any person above the age of twenty-one occupying a pew or portion thereof, by lease from the owner thereof or from the corporation, for not less than six months preceding said annual meeting."

SEC. 3. Section 9 of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 9. That in all meetings of said corporation seven members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, and every member of the said corporation shall have a vote in any question that shall come before said meeting: *Provided, however,* that in any question relating to the expenditure of money, the disposition of the property of said corporation, or the rights and privileges of the owners of pews in the said building, it shall be the duty of the secretary on the demand of any member of the corporation to record the votes then cast in manner as under, viz.: one vote for each sitting occupied by the member as owner or lessee."

SEC. 4. Said corporation may hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith are hereby repealed.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT
IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT INCORPORATING ST. LUKE'S
CHURCH IN EAST GREENWICH," PASSED AT THE MAY
SESSION, A. D. 1874. Passed May 3,
1874.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of an act in amendment of an act incorporating St. Luke's Church in East Greenwich, passed at the May session of the general assembly, A. D. 1874, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. The amount of property which said corporation may hold under its charter is hereby extended to one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT
ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND PROPRIETORS IN WARREN,"
PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, 1894. Passed May 4,
1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation heretofore existing as the Methodist Episcopal Church and Proprietors in Warren is hereby changed to "Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Warren," under which name and style said corporation shall continue to hold, exercise, and enjoy the same rights, powers, and privileges, and shall be subject to the same duties and obligations, as heretofore.

SEC. 2. The membership in said corporation shall hereafter be confined to such persons as are duly elected trustees of said Methodist Episcopal church of Warren, in accordance with the discipline and usages of the Methodist Episcopal church in the United States of America; and whenever any of said persons cease to be such trustees they shall cease to be members of said corporation, and any person hereafter elected trustee as aforesaid shall become a member of said corporation.

SEC. 3. Such trustee shall have all the powers,

duties, and obligations of the trustees mentioned in section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church and Proprietors in Warren," passed at the January session, 1834.

SEC. 4. Said corporation may elect such officers at such times, in such manner, and for such term as they shall from time to time by their by-laws prescribe, provided that such by-laws shall not be repugnant to the laws of this state or of the United States, or to the discipline or usages of said Methodist Episcopal church in the United States of America, and until other officers are provided for by such by-laws, and duly elected and qualified, the present officers of said corporation shall continue to hold and exercise their present offices and the duties thereof.

SEC. 5. The proprietors of pews in the meeting-house belonging to said corporation shall continue to hold and exercise all their present rights unless and until said pews or said rights are released by them to said corporation.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed May 2,
1900.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TRUSTEES OF THE THAMES STREET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN NEWPORT TO SELL CERTAIN REAL ESTATE IN NEWPORT.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Trustees of the Thames Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Newport, a corporation legally created, is hereby authorized and empowered to make a sale of, and to convey by good and sufficient deed, the real estate situated on the easterly side of Spring street in said Newport, which was conveyed to said corporation by Susan E. Magner, by deed dated April 24, 1875, recorded in Land Evidence of said Newport, volume 43, pages 503, &c., for a parsonage, provided that the Townsend Aid for the Aged, a corporation, join in said deed as evidence of their

assent, and to invest the proceeds of the sale in real estate more eligibly situated for a residence for the pastor of said church, to be held forever thereafter by said corporation in trust for the use, occupation, and residence of the pastor of the Thames Street Methodist Episcopal church in Newport, and his successors in said office, who shall be from time to time legally appointed to that office by the Providence conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, or who may be appointed by any conference of said church within whose district the city of Newport hereafter may be.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE CHARITABLE BAPTIST SOCIETY, IN PROVIDENCE, AND OF THE ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

Passed April
19, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The Charitable Baptist society, in Providence, may at any regular meeting thereof establish a new valuation of the pews in their meeting-house, which valuation shall be taken and considered as the guide and rule by which all further assessments shall be made until the said society shall make and establish another valuation; and said society may thereafter, at intervals of not less than ten years, make and establish further new valuations of said pews.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO ARTICLE 12 OF AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WICKFORD BAPTIST SOCIETY, PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS OCTOBER SESSION, A. D. 1816.

Passed April
19, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. The 12th article of an act to incorpo-

rate the Wickford Baptist Society, passed by the general assembly at its October session, A. D. 1816, is hereby amended so that said society is authorized to appoint a committee of three discreet persons to make a new valuation of the pews of the house of said society, and all taxes hereafter assessed shall be according to said new valuation.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BRISTOL YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Bristol Young Men's Christian Association," passed at the January session of the general assembly, A. D. 1864, is hereby amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. 4. The Bristol Young Men's Christian Association is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, and to secure the same by mortgage upon its real property or such portion thereof as said corporation may determine, said bonds to be payable not less than ten and not more than twenty years from the date thereof, with interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest of said bonds to be payable in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness; the form and other conditions of said bonds and mortgages to be such as said corporation may by vote prescribe."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO REVIVE AND RE-ENACT "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NEWPORT YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION."
Passed April 12, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The act passed at the January session of the general assembly, A. D. 1888, entitled "An act to incorporate the Newport Young Men's Christian Association," is hereby revived and re-enacted.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL INFANT ASYLUM, PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1891.
Passed May 4, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The governor, the lieutenant-governor, the chairman of the senate committee on finance, and the chairman of the committee on finance of the house of representatives shall be *ex-officio* members of the board of managers of the Saint Vincent de Paul Infant Asylum, a corporation incorporated by act of the general assembly, passed at the January session, A. D. 1891.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE ACT PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1868, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR MINISTERIAL FUND."
Passed May 2, 1900.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of the act passed at the January session, A. D. 1868, entitled "An act to incorporate the Board of Trustees for Ministerial Fund," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. Said corporation may receive and take by donation, devise, bequest, grant, or purchase any real or personal property and hold the same to any amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, of which twenty thousand dollars shall be exempt from taxation, and manage and dispose of the same according to the terms of the donation, devise, bequest, or grant, or, in the absence of terms or conditions, according to their discretion, in promotion of the object for which it is incorporated."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed May 1,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR RENEWING AND ALTERING THE NAME OF A CHARTER GRANTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JUNE, A. D. 1754, INCORPORATING A BODY POLITIC BY THE NAME OF THE 'FELLOWSHIP CLUB.'"

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The secretary of the Marine Society shall after the passage of this act issue a notice for a meeting of the members of said society, to be held in the city of Newport, at a time and place to be designated in the said notice; said notice shall be by the secretary published at least once each week for three successive weeks in some one newspaper published in the city of Newport, and a copy of such notice shall be mailed by said secretary at least two weeks before the day of meeting to each member of said society whose address is ascertainable by him. At such meeting three members in person or represented by their proxy in writing given to a member of said society shall constitute a quorum, and a majority in number of the members of said society shall be authorized to take any action whatever at said meeting or at any adjournment thereof, and less than a quorum may adjourn from time to time.

SEC. 2. In addition to the business authorized by its charter said society may vote to wind up its affairs

and may appoint one or more persons a committee with authority so to do, and may vote to place the relief fund held by said society in the hands of said committee; and after the payment of all the debts and liabilities of the said society said fund shall be held by the said person or persons so named, and their successors, as a trust fund for the following purposes and no other, viz.: after paying the expenses of the trust, for the relief of any member of said society who shall become reduced to indigence by misfortune, sickness, or old age, and also for the relief of widows or minor children of any member, past or present, of said Marine Society, and for this purpose either the principal or interest of said fund may be used if necessary; and in default of any person above referred to being entitled to the same, then to administer the net income of said fund for the relief of unfortunate master mariners, their widows, and orphan children in said Newport forever; or the said society may vote to transfer the same to any other charitable purpose, or to transfer the same, or that the same shall be transferred at any time in the future by the trustee of said fund, to any charitable corporation for any purpose connected with the care or relief of mariners in said city.

SEC. 3. Upon the constitution of the said fund as aforesaid, the court of this state having equity jurisdiction may from time to time appoint a new trustee when necessary, and have jurisdiction of the administration of said fund.

SEC. 4. Upon the vote of said Marine Society to wind up its affairs it shall cease to exist except for the purposes necessary to its dissolution.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT
TO INCORPORATE THE SOCIETE ST JEAN BAPTISTE DE
BIENFAISANCE DE PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND."

Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

It is enacted by the general assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of the act entitled "An act

to incorporate Societe St. Jean Baptiste De Bienfaisance de Providence, Rhode Island," passed at the January session of the general assembly, A. D. 1883, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. Said corporation may take, hold, transmit, and convey real and personal estate to a sum not to exceed forty thousand dollars."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed May 8,
1900.

AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ITALIAN SOCIETY OF UNION BENEVOLENCE IN PROVIDENCE," PASSED AT JANUARY SESSION, 1894.

It is enacted by the general assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Italian Society of Union Benevolence in Providence," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. Said corporation may take, hold, transmit, and convey real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed Feb. 7,
1900.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CENTRAL FALLS FIELD NATURALIST SOCIETY.

It is enacted by the general assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. John J. Standing, William Taylor, Arthur Worthington, John Openshaw, John T. Wade, William Hadfield, John W. Walker, J. W. Mills, John Manion, William Smith, John Howard, Henry Oldrid, Thomas H. Peters, S. Hardy, Henry Travis, John Rockliffe, John Jas. Mack, Samuel W. Wade, John Duthurst, James McCormachie, John R. Goodman, John Dallas, Harry Bramham, Henry Coyle, Joseph Coyle, John Knott, John J. Pearson, John Bradley, Owen McIntyre, Robert Haigh, Charles Wainwright, George

Easthan, William Cottindle, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of Central Falls Field Naturalist Society in the city of Central Falls, for scientific and literary purposes, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in Chapter 177 of the General Laws and in any acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. Said corporation may take, hold, transmit, and convey real and personal estate to the amount of ten thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

RESOLUTIONS

OF A

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE NATURE.

No. 1.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the constitution of the state.

Resolved, A majority of all the members elected to each house of the general assembly voting therefor, that the following amendment to the constitution of the state be proposed to the qualified electors of the state, in accordance with the provisions of article XIII of the constitution, for their adoption, to be denominated article XI of amendments.

ARTICLE XI.

"SECTION. 1. There shall be a session of the general assembly at Providence, commencing on the first Tuesday of January in each year. The senators and representatives shall severally receive the sum of five dollars, and the speaker of the house of representatives ten dollars, for every day of actual attendance, and eight cents per mile for traveling expenses in going to and returning from the general assembly: *Provided*, that no compensation or mileage shall be allowed any senator or representative for more than sixty days attendance in any calendar year. The general assembly shall regulate the compensation of the governor and of all other officers, subject to the limitations contained in the constitution.

"SEC. 2. The governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, attorney-general, general treasurer, and senators and representatives in the general assembly shall be elected at town, ward, and district meetings

on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November annually, cominencing A. D. 1901, and shall severally hold their offices for one year from the first Tuesday of January next succeeding their election, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

"SEC. 3. When the governor elect shall die, remove from the state, refuse to serve, become insane, or be otherwise incapacitated, the lieutenant-governor elect shall be qualified as governor at the beginning of the term for which he was elected. When both the governor and lieutenant-governor elect, or either the lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, attorney-general, or general treasurer elect are so incapacitated, or when there has been a failure to elect any one or more of the officers mentioned in this section, the general assembly shall, upon its organization, meet in grand committee and elect some person or persons to fill the office or offices, as the case may be, for which such incapacity exists or as to which such failure to elect occurred. When the general assembly shall elect any of said officers because of the failure of any person to receive a plurality of the votes cast, the election in each case shall be made from the persons who received the same and largest number of votes.

"SEC. 4. If the offices of governor and lieutenant-governor be both vacant, by reason of death or otherwise, they shall be filled by the general assembly in grand committee, and the acting governor shall, if the general assembly is not then in session, call a special session thereof for that purpose within twenty days after both of said offices become vacant, if a stated session is not sooner to occur.

"SEC. 5. In case of a vacancy in the office of secretary of state, attorney-general, or general treasurer, from any cause, the general assembly in grand committee shall elect some person to fill the same: *Provided*, that if such vacancy occurs when the general assembly is not in session the governor shall appoint some person to fill such vacancy until a successor elected by the general assembly is qualified to act.

"SEC. 6. When a senator or representative elect shall die, remove from the state, refuse to serve, be-

come insane, or be otherwise incapacitated, or when at an election for any senator or representative no person shall receive a plurality of the votes cast, a new election shall be held. A vacancy in the senate or house of representatives shall be filled at a new election. The general assembly shall provide by general law for the holding of such elections at such times as to insure that each town and city shall be fully represented in the general assembly during the whole of every session thereof, so far as is practicable. Every person elected in accordance with this section shall hold his office for the remainder of the term or for the full term, as the case may be, of the office which he is elected to fill, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

"SEC. 7. In elections by the general assembly in grand committee the person receiving a majority of the votes shall be elected. Every person elected by the general assembly to fill a vacancy, or pursuant to section 3 of this article, shall hold his office for the remainder of the term or for the full term, as the case may be, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

"SEC. 8. A quorum of the grand committee shall consist of a majority of all the members of the senate and a majority of all the members of the house of representatives duly assembled pursuant to an invitation from one of said bodies which has been accepted by the other, and the acceptance of which has been communicated by message to the body in which such invitation originated, and each house shall be attended by its secretaries and clerks. No act or business of any kind shall be done in grand committee other than that which is distinctly specified in the invitation by virtue of which such grand committee is assembled, except to take a recess or to dissolve: *Provided*, that the grand committee may appoint a sub-committee of its own members to count any ballots delivered to it and report the result of such count.

"SEC. 9. The governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, attorney-general, general treasurer, and senators and representatives in the general assembly in office when this amendment goes into effect shall con-

tinue to hold their offices, with the powers and duties and subject to the limitations prescribed therein for like officers, until the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1902, and until their successors are elected and qualified. Vacancies in their number from any cause shall be filled in the manner which is prescribed by law at the time of their occurrence. All officers who by the provisions of this amendment are continued in office beyond the stated time for which they were elected or appointed shall receive a pro rata compensation for their increased term of service, based upon the compensation provided for in this amendment or by law.

"SEC. 10. The first election of officers named in the next preceding section under this amendment shall be held upon the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1901. The town, ward, and district meetings therefor shall be warned and conducted, and the result thereof determined, authenticated, and declared, in the manner at that time prescribed by law, and the persons then elected shall hold their offices from the said first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1902, and thereafter until their successors are elected and qualified.

"SEC. 11. The general assembly shall provide by law for the registration necessary to qualify persons to vote at said first election, which registration shall close on the last day of June, A. D. 1901, and after the adoption of this amendment no person of whom registration is or may be required by law shall be permitted to vote unless his name shall have been registered in the town or city where he resides on or before the last day of June next preceding the time of his voting. For all elections by the people held before said Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1901, the qualifications of the electors shall be such as were required by the constitution and laws existing at the time of the adoption of this amendment.

"SEC. 12. This amendment shall take in the constitution of the state the place of sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of article VIII, "of elections;" and of section 11 of article IV, "of the legislative power;"

and of article III of the amendments to the constitution, which said article and sections, and all other provisions of the constitution inconsistent herewith, are hereby annulled."

No. 2.
Passed Apr. 11,
1900.

RESOLUTION requesting one of the new battleships to be named "Rhode Island."

Resolved, That his excellency the governor be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to request the honorable the secretary of the navy to cause one of the new battleships to be named the "Rhode Island," as a fitting recognition of this state as the birthplace of the American navy, and the home of its first admiral, as well as of Commodore Perry and of other naval officers who in later years have signally contributed to its glory and renown, and

Be it further resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent by the secretary of state to each of the senators and representatives in congress from this state, with the request that they coöperate with his excellency the governor in endeavoring to secure the naming of one of said battleships as aforesaid.

No. 3.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

RESOLUTION appointing a joint special committee to confer with the cities of Providence and Pawtucket and town of East Providence in relation to the general development and improvement of harbor facilities in Providence and Pawtucket rivers and the reclamation of tide-flowed lands belonging to the state lying within those waters.

Resolved, That a joint special committee, to consist of five members of the house of representatives, and to be appointed by the speaker, and three members of the senate to be appointed by the president of the senate; be and they are hereby created a joint special committee to confer with the cities of Providence and Pawtucket, and the town of East Providence in rela-

tion to the general development and improvement of harbor facilities in Providence and Pawtucket rivers and the reclamation of tide-flowed lands belonging to the state lying within those waters, and to report to the general assembly such information as they may obtain, and make such recommendations as they deem advisable.

RESOLUTION authorizing the rector, church wardens, vestry, and congregation of Trinity Church to convey certain real estate. Passed May 2, 1900.

Resolved, that the prayer of the petition of the rector, church wardens, vestry, and congregation of Trinity Church in Newport for leave to sell certain real estate held by the said corporation for a rectory be and the same is hereby granted, and the said corporation is hereby authorized to sell and convey the said real estate, free and clear of the said trust; and the said corporation shall receive and hold the proceeds of the said real estate for the purpose of investing the same in other real estate to be held by it upon the same terms and conditions and for the same purposes as the real estate hereby authorized to be sold was held.

RESOLUTION authorizing the governor to procure from the United States government a new set of weights, measures, and balances, and making an appropriation therefor. No. 5.
Passed Feb. 9, 1900.

Resolved, That the governor of the state be and hereby is authorized and empowered to procure from the United States government, for the use of the state sealer of this state, a new and complete set of weights, measures, and balances, to be placed in the new state-house in the custody of the state sealer, at an expense not to exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars; and the state auditor is authorized to draw his order on the general treasurer for the payment of the same, in

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the cost of transportation, from any money in
not otherwise appropriated, upon vouchers
by the governor.

May 4,

RESOLUTION authorizing and directing the board of state charities and corrections to construct buildings and making an appropriation therefor.

Resolved, That the board of state charities and corrections is hereby authorized and directed to construct at the state-hospital for the insane a service building, a dining hall, to enlarge the present boiler-house and laundry, and the heating and laundry plants with the proper equipment therefor; to connect said buildings with each other and with the existing structures by suitable corridors, the whole of the aforesaid construction and equipment to be substantially in accordance with the plans for the same which have been accepted and approved by the said board, and in accordance with the specifications made, upon which plans and specifications bids have been secured by said board, and to contract for the construction and completion ready for occupancy of all of said buildings, corridors, enlargements, equipment, and work at a cost not exceeding \$132,000, including architects fees, said work to be done by competitive advertised bids, any surplus to revert into the treasury.

The sum of \$132,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, towards the payment of the expenses authorized by this resolution; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his orders from time to time upon the general treasurer for the payment of the same, upon the receipt of proper vouchers approved by said board.

No. 7.
Passed Apr. 24,
1900.

RESOLUTION appropriating \$1,000 for the purpose of making investigations into the causes and prevention of tuberculosis in man.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars or

so much thereof as may be needed be appropriated to the state board of health, for the purpose of making investigations into the causes and prevention of tuberculosis in man ; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order upon the general treasurer for payment of the same, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, upon the receipt of proper vouchers approved by the governor.

RESOLUTION appropriating \$1,000 for the purpose of making investigation into the causes and prevention of diphtheria.

No. 8.
Passed Apr. 26,
1900.

Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be needed be appropriated to the state board of health, for the purpose of making investigation into the causes and prevention of diphtheria ; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order upon the general treasurer for the payment of the same, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, upon the receipt of proper vouchers approved by the governor.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation to be applied for sundry necessary repairs to the state armory at Woonsocket, R. I.

No. 9.
Passed Apr. 26,
1900.

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary be and the same is hereby appropriated to be applied for sundry necessary repairs for the state armory at Woonsocket, R. I., said sum to be expended under the direction of a joint special committee of the general assembly, to consist of two members of the house to be appointed by the speaker of the house, and one member of the senate to be appointed by the president of the senate ; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for said sum, upon the receipt of vouchers approved by said committee.

No. 10.
Passed May 3,
1900.

RESOLUTION making provision for the placing of markers on the graves of persons who served in the Spanish-American war.

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing markers to be placed on the graves of deceased soldiers in Rhode Island who served honorably in the Spanish-American war; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his order upon the general treasurer for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, payable to the Spanish-American War Veteran Association, on vouchers approved by the governor.

No. 11.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation for the Rhode Island state normal school, in matter of 1899 deficiency.

Whereas, the appropriation for the support of the Rhode Island state normal school for the year 1899 was less than the expenses incurred by the board of trustees of the state normal school, and

Whereas, there is a deficiency for said year of 1899,

Resolved, That the sum of eight thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the use of the board of trustees of the state normal school, to be used toward the payment of the 1899 deficiency of said school; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order upon the general treasurer for the payment of the same, upon vouchers approved by said board.

No. 12.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation for the education of the blind and feeble-minded.

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars in addition to the sum already appropriated be and here-

by is appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended for the education of blind and feeble-minded children, under the provisions of Chapter 85 of the General Laws; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders on the general treasurer for such sum or so much thereof as may be needed, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of said Chapter 85 of the General Laws.

RESOLUTION authorizing and empowering the quartermaster-general to sell the produce of the state camp ground and to use the proceeds thereof.

No. 13.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That the quartermaster-general be and he is hereby authorized to sell the produce of the state camp ground and to use the proceeds from the sale of said produce for the purpose of improving said camp ground and working the same, and for the necessary care and repairs of buildings and other state property located thereon, said proceeds to be paid into the treasury; and the state auditor is hereby authorized and empowered to draw his orders from time to time upon the general treasurer for the payment of said proceeds for said purposes, upon the receipt of vouchers properly approved by the governor and quartermaster-general, the same to be paid out of said fund.

RESOLUTION to assist the town of New Shoreham in completing an inner harbor in Great Salt pond.

No. 14.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Whereas, the town of New Shoreham has appropriated the sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of connecting Harbor pond with the Great Salt pond in said town,

Be it therefore Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of assisting said town in completing the construction of an inner harbor connecting with Great Salt pond in New Shoreham; to be ex-

pended by and under the direction of the town council of said town, and a committee appointed by and under the authority of section 3 of Chapter 1289 of the Public Laws; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders from time to time for such portion thereof as upon receipt by him of properly authenticated vouchers approved by the governor appears to have been expended.

No. 15.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION re-appropriating certain unexpended balances of appropriations to be expended for purchasing furniture for and for making repairs and alterations in armories owned or hired by the state of Rhode Island.

Resolved, That the unexpended balance, \$297.00, of the appropriation made at the January session, 1895, for fitting up quarters in the new armory at Pawtucket for the signal corps, brigade R. I. M., and the unexpended balance, \$11.40, of the appropriation made at the January session, 1896, for the purchase of new uniforms for the Kentish Guards, and the unexpended balance, \$8.96, of the appropriation made at the September session, 1896, for the purchase of caissons for the first machine gun battery, be and the same are hereby re-appropriated to be expended for purchasing furniture for and making repairs and alterations in armories owned or hired by the state; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer in payment therefor, upon the receipt of vouchers approved by the governor and certified to by the quartermaster-general.

No. 16.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION appropriating two thousand dollars for four hundred copies of the legislative history and souvenir of Rhode Island.

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the

purchase of four hundred copies of the legislative history and souvenir of Rhode Island, which volume shall contain an historical record of Rhode Island general assemblies and legislation, biographical sketches and portraits of the principal state officers, members of the present and next general assembly, and prominent persons of the state identified with the state government, and state and national legislation, that said work shall be done under the direction of and approved by the secretary of state; and that the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order upon the general treasurer, upon vouchers approved by the secretary of state. That copies of said volume shall be distributed to members of this and the next general assembly, public libraries and state libraries of the states, justices of the supreme court and district court, general officers, town clerks, sheriffs, adjutant-general and quartermaster-general, state auditor, state board of charities and corrections, commissioner of public schools, and that the secretary of state is hereby directed to attend to the distribution of the same.

RESOLUTION to distribute volume 20 of Rhode Island Reports to the members of the general assembly.

No. 17.
Passed Feb. 2,
1900.

Resolved, That the secretary of state is hereby directed to deliver to each member and clerk of the present general assembly one copy of volume 20 of Rhode Island Reports.

RESOLUTION appropriating the sum of three thousand dollars to defray the expense of publishing vol. 20 of the Rhode Island Reports.

No. 18.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of printing and publishing vol. 20 of Rhode Island Reports; and the state auditor is hereby directed, upon the presentation of properly authenticated vouch-

ers, to draw his order upon the general treasurer for so much of said sum as may be necessary for said purpose, to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

No. 19.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION upon petition of Washington County Pomona Grange No. 2, preferred by T. G. Hazard, chairman of committee appointed for this purpose.

Voted and Resolved, That until further ordered by the general assembly, Washington County Pomona Grange No. 2, have permission, without causing any expense to the state, to use and occupy the grand jury room, the witness room east of the grand jury room, and the sheds of the Washington county court-house at Kingston, for the stated meetings of said grange: *Provided*, that the use of said rooms shall not interfere with the sessions of court held in said court-house, or district meetings held therein; and that said use of said rooms shall be under the directions and regulations of the sheriff of said Washington county.

No. 20.
Passed Apr. 20,
1900.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation for certain agricultural societies.

Resolved, That the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated for the use of the following societies, viz.: the Rhode Island State Fair Association, twelve hundred dollars; the Washington County Agricultural Society, ten hundred dollars; the Woonsocket Agricultural, Horticultural, and Industrial Society, ten hundred dollars; the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, ten hundred dollars; the Rhode Island Poultry Association, ten hundred dollars; the Pawtuxet Valley Agricultural Park Association, ten hundred dollars; Newport County Agricultural Society, five hundred dollars; the Newport Horticultural Society, five hundred dollars. The said sums to be distributed by said societies as premiums at the fairs which they may hold during the present year: *Provided, however*, that said

premiums, with the exception of the premiums of the Rhode Island Poultry Association, shall be paid to citizens of this state only, and shall be limited to agricultural and horticultural products, neat cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, agricultural and mechanical implements and inventions, and all products of the farm, mill, workshop, and household; and the general treasurer shall pay to said societies, respectively, such parts of said appropriation as the state auditor shall certify have, to his satisfaction, been paid or awarded to be paid in accordance with the provisions of this resolution.

And, provided further, that no part of this appropriation shall be paid to any society where gambling or the sale of intoxicating liquors are permitted on the premises or grounds owned or controlled by said society.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation for the use of the commissioners of inland fisheries.

No. 21.
Passed Apr. 20,
1900.

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the use of the commissioners of inland fisheries, to be expended by them as they shall deem expedient in promoting the interests of the fisheries of the state; and the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his orders for such portions thereof as may be required from time to time, upon receipt by him of properly authenticated vouchers.

RESOLUTION appropriating the sum of one thousand dollars to enable commissioner of records to continue the work upon lists of officers and soldiers who served in the colonial wars and war of the revolution.

No. 22.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary be and the same hereby is appropriated for the purpose of enabling the commissioner of records to continue the work author-

ized by resolution of the general assembly passed May 6th, 1898, upon lists of the officers and soldiers of the colony and state of Rhode Island who were engaged in the colonial wars and war of the revolution; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order or orders upon the general treasurer for said sum or so much thereof as may be necessary, upon vouchers approved by the governor.

No. 23.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation for necessary furnishings to the Newport county jail.

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred and ninety dollars or so much thereof as may be required be and the same is hereby appropriated to be expended by the sheriff of Newport county for necessary furnishings to the Newport county jail, including wire netting, mattress covers, electric bells, connecting range, whitening walls, and window shades; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order on the general treasurer for the payment of bills approved by the sheriff of Newport county.

No. 24.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation to pay the bill of Lincoln Hammett & Co., for material and extra work on the Newport county jail.

Resolved, That the sum of forty-four and $\frac{3}{100}$ dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for extra work on Newport county jail, to pay the bill of Lincoln Hammett & Co.; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order on the general treasurer for the payment of said bill out of the sum appropriated for accounts allowed by the general assembly.

RESOLUTION making an appropriation to pay the bill of Harry Wilson for material and extra work on the Newport county jail.

No. 25.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and sixty-one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay Harry Wilson for material and extra work on the Newport jail, amounting to \$261.50; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order on the general treasurer for the payment of the bill out of the sum appropriated for accounts allowed by the general assembly.

RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state property, situate on the easterly side of Benefit street, in the city of Providence, and formerly used as a normal school.

No. 26.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That the general treasurer of this state be and he is hereby authorized and empowered, for and in behalf of the state, to make, execute, seal, acknowledge, and deliver a lease for a term not exceeding five years of the property of the state, situate on the easterly side of Benefit street, in the city of Providence, and bounded northerly by Angell street, and southerly by Waterman street, and formerly used as a normal school; the said lease to be conditioned upon the payment to the general treasurer for the use of the state of such a sum of money per year, and every year during the continuance of said lease, as he shall deem most advantageous to the state: *Provided*, that no action taken hereunder shall entail any expense upon the state.

RESOLUTION creating a joint special committee to transfer books, records, papers, etc., of the district court of the tenth judicial district.

No. 27.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

Resolved, That one member of the house to be appointed by the speaker, and one member of the senate

to be appointed by the president of the senate, be and they are hereby created a joint special committee to transfer the books, records, papers, and all other property in the office of the retiring clerk of the district court of the tenth judicial district to his successor in office.

No. 28.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION distributing the chairs and desks as souvenirs to the members and officers of this general assembly.

Resolved, That the chairs and desks now used by the members and officers of this general assembly and by the newspaper reporters now in attendance be and they are hereby presented to them as souvenirs when the present state house is abandoned for legislative purposes.

No. 29.
Passed April
20, 1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Leopold H. Massell for change of name.

Resolved, That the prayer of said petition be and the same is hereby granted, and that the name of Leopold H. Massell be and the same is hereby changed to Leopold H. Lincoln, and by the latter name he be entitled to all rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities he would have been subject to had his name not been changed.

No. 30.
Passed April
17, 1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Lillie Josephine McCue of Woonsocket, praying that her name be changed to Lillie Josephine Parrish.

Resolved, That the prayer of said petitioner be and the same hereby is granted, and that the name of said Lillie Josephine McCue be and the same hereby is changed to Lillie Josephine Parrish, and that by the said latter name she be entitled to all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities

she would have been entitled and subject to had not her name been changed as aforesaid.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Emily Louise Smith for change of name.

No. 31.
Passed April 18,
1900.

Resolved, That the prayer of said petitioner be and the same is hereby granted, and that the name of the said Emily Louise Smith is hereby changed to Emily Louise Monroe Smith, and that by the latter name she be entitled to all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the duties and liabilities she would have been entitled and subject to had not her name been changed as aforesaid.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Jacob Dashwsky for change of name.

No. 32.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of Jacob Dashwsky be and the same is hereby granted, and that the name of the said Jacob Dashwsky is hereby changed to Joe Dash, and that by the latter name he be entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities he would have been entitled and subject to had not his name been changed.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Meyer Washkansky for change of name.

No. 33.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

Resolved, That the name of the said Meyer Washkansky be and the same is hereby changed to Meyer White, and that by the latter name he shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities to which he would have been entitled or subject had not his name been changed as aforesaid.

No. 34.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Mabel L. E. Jessen
for change of name to Mabel L. E. Perrin.

Resolved, That the prayer of said petition be and the same is hereby granted, and that the name of said Mabel L. E. Jessen be and the same is hereby changed to Mabel L. E. Perrin, and that by the said latter name she be entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities to which she would have been entitled and subject had her name not been changed as aforesaid.

No. 35.
Passed April
10, 1900.

RESOLUTION to change the name of Elizabeth M.
Tillinghast.

Upon the petition of Elizabeth M. Tillinghast for
change of name:

Resolved, That the name of said Elizabeth M. Tillinghast be and the same is hereby changed to Elizabeth M. Godfrey, and that by the latter name she shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities to which she would have been entitled had not her name been changed.

No. 36.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Abraham M. Grano-
vsky for change of name.

Resolved, That the name of Abraham M. Granovsky be changed to that of Abraham M. Grant, subject to the same rights and liabilities as if his said name had not been changed according to the prayer in his petition for change of name.

No. 37.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Louis M. Granovsky
for change of name.

Resolved, That the name of Louis M. Granovsky be changed to that of Louis M. Grant, subject to the

rights and liabilities as if his said name had not been changed according to the prayer in his petition for change of name.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Patrick Guinan for change of name.

No. 38.
Passed April
11, 1900.

Resolved, That the name of Patrick Guinan be and the same is hereby changed to Patrick Burke, and by said latter name he shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabilities he would have been entitled or subject to had not his name been changed as aforesaid.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of William J. Moffatt and Anna L. Moffatt, husband and wife, both of the state of Connecticut, for the adoption of Louisa Maud Goff a female child of the age of 3 years, praying for reasons therein stated that the said Louisa Maud Goff be adopted by the said William J. Moffatt and Anna L. Moffatt, and that the name of said child be changed to Anna Goddard Moffatt.

No. 39.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

Voted and resolved, That the prayer of the said petition be and the same is hereby granted, that the said William J. Moffatt and Anna L. Moffatt be and they are hereby authorized to adopt the said Louisa Maud Goff as their child, and that the said parties reciprocally shall be and hereby are vested with all rights of legitimate parent and child, and that the name of said Louisa Maud Goff be and the same is hereby changed to Anna Goddard Moffatt.

No. 40.
Passed May 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Frank Murray and Maria Murray his wife, and Catherine G. Lynch, all of the city and county of Providence in the state of Rhode Island, and Thomas Lynch and Maria Lynch his wife, the parents of said Catherine G. Lynch, of full age, praying for reasons therein stated that said Frank Murray and Maria Murray may be permitted to adopt the said Catherine G. Lynch as their child.

Voted and resolved, That the prayer of the said petition be and the same is hereby granted, that the said Frank Murray and Maria Murray be and are hereby authorized to adopt the said Catherine G. Lynch as their child, and the said parties reciprocally shall be and are hereby vested with all the rights, including the right of inheritance of estates real and personal, and subjected to all the duties and obligations as if the said Catherine G. Lynch had been born a lawful child of the said Frank Murray and Maria Murray.

No. 41.
Passed Feb. 8,
1900.

RESOLUTION remitting fine and costs of Celina Cardin.

Resolved, That the fine and costs imposed upon Celina Cardin by the common pleas division of the supreme court within and for the county of Kent on the 19th day of December, A. D. 1899, for the crime of maintaining a nuisance, the same amounting to one hundred and twenty dollars and eighty-five cents, be and the same are hereby remitted.

No. 42.
Passed April
12, 1900.

RESOLUTION to remit the fines and costs of case against Margaret Raftery.

Resolved, That the fines and costs in the case of State vs. Margaret Raftery who is now confined in the state's jail in Providence county, be and the same are hereby remitted, and the jailor of said jail is hereby instructed to permit said Margaret Raftery to go out from said jail without day.

RESOLUTION to remit the fines and costs in cases against Michael Splan.

No. 43.
Passed April
17, 1900.

Resolved, That the fines and costs in the several cases against Michael Splan of Providence, R. I., who is now confined in the state's jail in Providence county, charging him with selling liquor without a license, for keeping and sales of liquors, be and the same are hereby remitted, and the jailor of said jail is hereby instructed to permit said Michael Splan to go out from said jail without day.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of John Crowley praying for pardon and release from imprisonment in the state's prison.

No. 44.

(Passed in senate May 2, 1900.)

Voted and resolved, That the senate do hereby advise and consent to the granting of the prayer of the petition for the pardon of the said John Crowley as recommended by his excellency the governor, and that the warden of the state's prison be directed to release said John Crowley from his said imprisonment forthwith.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Dempsey Allen praying for pardon and release from imprisonment in the state's prison.

No. 45.

(In senate, passed May 2, 1900.)

Voted and resolved, That the senate do hereby advise and consent to the granting of the prayer of the petition for the pardon of the said Dempsey Allen as recommended by his excellency the governor, and that the warden of the state's prison be directed to release said Dempsey Allen from his said imprisonment forthwith.

No. 46.

RESOLUTION upon the petition of Daniel T. Church and others praying for the pardon and release from imprisonment in the Providence county jail of Margaret Raftery.

(In senate, passed April 25, 1900.)

Voted and resolved, That the senate do hereby advise and consent to the granting of the prayer of the petition for the pardon of the said Margaret Raftery as recommended by his excellency the governor, and that the keeper of the Providence county jail be directed to release said Margaret Raftery from her said imprisonment forthwith.

No. 47.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION to pay attendants of the general assembly for the legislative year ending May 4, 1900, and November session, A. D. 1899.

Resolved, That the following sums be paid to the following named persons, attendants on the general assembly for the legislative year ending May 4, A. D. 1900, and November session, A. D. 1899; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order on the general treasurer in such sums in favor of said persons out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated :

Hunter C. White, sheriff of Providence county, attendance both branches of the general assembly.....	\$500 00
Joseph M. Provencher, door-keeper of the house of representatives.....	600 00
Osmond C. Goodell, deputy sheriff in attendance in senate.....	334 00
Albert C. Johnson, deputy sheriff in attendance in house of representatives.....	334 00
Frederick A. Jones, recording clerk, pro tempore.....	30 00
Walter E. Spink, page in senate.....	80 00
James B. Littlefield, page in senate.....	80 00
Walter I. Zarr, page in house of representatives.....	85 00

Charles B. O'Connor, page in house of representatives.....	85 00
William E. Lewis, page in house of representatives.....	80 00
Robert E. Johnson, page in house of representatives.....	80 00
Axel R. Gustafson, page in house of representatives.....	95 00
William A. Marks, page in house of representatives.....	100 00
John D. Campbell, page in senate.....	80 00
Frank A. Slocum, page in house of representatives.....	7 00

RESOLUTION for the payment of sundry accounts against the state.

Resolved, That the following accounts against the state be and the same are hereby allowed and ordered to be paid; and the state auditor is directed to draw his orders on the general treasurer for the said several amounts out of any money unappropriated in the treasury.

Stephen H. Northup, for services as janitor of the Kentish artillery.....	\$100 00	No. 48.
Charles D. Eddy, for services as janitor of Bristol county court-house from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900.....	75 00	No. 49.
The Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., for the storage of four cases of copper plates from June 4, 1899, to June 4, 1900.....	35 00	No. 50.
W. A. Dean, for engrossing "Resolution of thanks to Brig. Gen. Charles R. Dennis," pursuant to resolution No. 28, passed at May session, 1898.....	50 00	No. 51.
Isaac T. Hopkins, for services as janitor of Washington county court-house from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900.....	400 00	No. 52.
William J. Wallace, for services rendered as officer under the juvenile offender act for eleven months.....	916 66	No. 53.

No. 54.	The H. B. Smith Co., for repairs to heating apparatus at armory of the United Train of Artillery.....	84 50
No. 55.	Edward G. Cundall, for rent of office room in Briggs building, Westerly, from June 1, 1899, to June 1, 1900.....	24 00
No. 56.	Edwin H. Adams, for use and damage to horse used by the state at the annual encampment of the Rhode Island state militia.....	122 00
No. 57.	John W. Sweeney, for rent of office for district court of the third judicial district...	60 00
No. 58.	Town of East Providence, for document file and book case for use of district court of the seventh judicial district.....	88 95
No. 59.	George S. Bennett, for services as janitor of Kent county court-house for fourteen months ending March 31, 1900, at \$25 per month.....	350 00
No. 60.	Walter C. Simmons, for traveling expenses, etc., as commissioner of dams and reservoirs for the year 1899.....	98 00
No. 61.	Providence Warehouse Co., for storage of General Laws, etc., to date.....	146 80
No. 62.	George S. Bennett, for services as officer in the district court of the fourth judicial district, 40 weeks, ending March 29, 1900, at \$1.00.....	40 00
No. 63.	Charles H. Thurber, for services rendered as officer under the juvenile offender act for eleven months.....	600 00
No. 64.	For attendance of the members of the joint standing committee on printing at meetings held for the purpose of transferring contract for the state binding, approving bond for same, etc:	
	Albert S. Babcock	\$20 00
	William W. Congdon... ..	20 00
	Byron J. Cowee.....	20 00
	Jean C. Le Blanc.	20 00
	Elisha C. Stillman	20 00
	Christopher L. Holden.....	20 00

William H. Comstock.....	20 00
George McKenzie.....	20 00
C. P. Bennett, secretary.....	20 00

For expenses of members of state board of education attending meetings of said board during the year 1899-1900:

No. 65.

Samuel W. K. Allen.....	\$36 00
George T. Baker.....	49 00
Frank Hill.....	64 00
John E. Kendrick.....	54 50
Frank E. Thompson.....	85 00
Charles J. White.....	20 00

For services of members of committee appointed to build a jail in Newport for the use of Newport county.

No. 66.

Jeremiah W. Horton.....	\$300 00
John H. Wetherell.....	300 00
Oscar A. Newell.....	300 00

RESOLUTION of thanks to his excellency Elisha Dyer.

No. 67.

(In senate, passed May 4, 1900.)

Resolved, That the thanks of the senate are justly due and are hereby gratefully tendered to his excellency Elisha Dyer for the able, courteous, and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this senate during the the past political year.

Resolved, That this senate on severing its official relations with his excellency this day desires to give expression of its satisfaction with his executive administration and to its appreciation of his admirable qualities as a high minded gentleman and good citizen, and to assure him of its continued regards and best wishes.

RESOLUTION of thanks to his honor William Gregory.

No. 68.

(In senate, passed May 4, 1900.)

Resolved, That the deserved thanks of this senate

are hereby tendered to his honor William Gregory for the dignity and ability with which he has presided over this senate in the absence of his excellency the governor.

No. 69.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION presenting the gavels to his excellency the governor and his honor the lieutenant-governor.

Resolved, That the gavels used in the senate at the present session be and the same are hereby presented to the governor and the lieutenant-governor, and that the state auditor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the same properly engraved and delivered to the respective officers; and to draw his order on the general treasurer for the cost of such engraving and mounting, to be paid out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated.

No. 70.
Passed May 4,
1899.

RESOLUTION presenting chairs to his excellency the governor and his honor the lieutenant-governor.

Resolved, That the chairs in this senate occupied during the present session by his excellency the governor and his honor the lieutenant-governor be and they are hereby presented to them as a slight token of regard and appreciation by the members of this senate.

No. 71.
Passed May 4,
1900.

RESOLUTION of thanks to the Honorable Frank E. Holden, speaker.

Resolved, That the thanks of this house be and they hereby are tendered to the Honorable Frank E. Holden, speaker, for the dignified, courteous, and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this house, and for the courtesy and affability which have distinguished his intercourse with the members thereof.

Resolved, That the reading clerk of the house of

representatives is hereby directed to cause this resolution to be suitably engrossed, framed, and properly certified, and the same present to our speaker; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order upon the general treasurer for the necessary expense herefor, upon receipt of a proper voucher approved by said reading clerk.

RESOLUTION presenting to the speaker of the house of representatives the gavel used by him during the legislative year.

No. 72.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That the gavel used by the Hon. Frank E. Holden, speaker of the house of representatives during the legislative year ending to-day, be and the same is hereby presented to that gentleman, and the clerk of the house is hereby directed to have the same suitably and properly mounted and engraved, and deliver the same to the speaker; and the state auditor is hereby directed to draw his order on the general treasurer for the expense hereof, upon receipt of a proper voucher approved by the clerk of the house of representatives.

RESOLUTION of appreciation and thanks to Joseph Mullen, janitor of the state house.

No. 73.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That this general assembly express its appreciation of the long and faithful service of janitor Joseph Mullen, and presents to him the clock in the "gallery" of the house as a token of its esteem and approbation.

RESOLUTION adopting joint rules and orders.

No. 74.
Passed Jan. 31,
1900.

Resolved, That the joint rules and orders of the senate and house of representatives adopted for the political year of 1896 by the general assembly be and the

same hereby are adopted as the joint rules and orders of the present senate and house of representatives for the current political year.

No. 75.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

RESOLUTION to suspend joint rules 6, 8, and 9.

Resolved, That joint rules 6, 8, and 9 be and the same are hereby suspended so far as the same affect acts passed by this general assembly on February 8 and 9, 1900, and the engrossing clerk is hereby directed to suitably engross, during the coming recess, such acts as may finally pass either house in concurrence; and the secretary of state is hereby directed to certify the same and place them on file in his office.

No. 76.
Passed May 2,
1900.

RESOLUTION to suspend joint rules numbers 6, 8, and 9.

Resolved, That joint rules numbers 6, 8, and 9 be suspended for the remainder of the session, and the engrossing clerk is hereby directed to suitably engross, after the close of the present session, such acts as may finally pass either house in concurrence; and the secretary of state is hereby directed to certify the same and place them on file in his office.

No. 77.
Passed Feb. 9,
1900.

RESOLUTION of adjournment from February 9, 1900, to April 10, 1900.

Resolved, That when the general assembly adjourns on Friday, February 9, 1900, it adjourn to meet at the state house in Providence on Tuesday, April 10, 1900, at 11 o'clock A. M.

No. 78.
Passed Feb. 1,
1900.

RESOLUTION relative to adjournment.

Resolved, That when this general assembly adjourns each Friday it adjourn to meet on the following Tuesday at 11 o'clock A. M. during this session.

RESOLUTION of adjournment.

No. 79.
Passed April
12, 1900.

Resolved, That when this general assembly adjourns this day it adjourn to meet in the state house in Providence on Tuesday, April 17, 1900, at 11 o'clock A. M.

RESOLUTION of final adjournment.

No. 80.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That when this general assembly adjourns on Friday, May 4, 1900, it adjourn to meet according to law.

RESOLUTION continuing unfinished business to the next May session.

No. 81.
Passed May 4,
1900.

Resolved, That all unfinished business pending before either house of this general assembly at the time of adjournment this day be and the same is hereby continued to the next May session of the general assembly.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE,

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

I certify the acts and resolutions contained in this volume to be true copies of the originals on file in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto
set my hand and affixed the seal of the
state, this day of A. D.

Secretary of State.

APPENDIX.

ROLL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

At the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, begun and holden by adjournment at Providence on Tuesday, January 30th, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and of independence the one hundred and twenty-fourth.

PRESENT.

His Excellency ELISHA DYER, Governor, and *ex-officio* President of the Senate.

His Honor WILLIAM GREGORY, Lieutenant-Governor, and *ex-officio* Senator.

SENATORS FROM THE SEVERAL TOWNS.

Newport.....	Jeremiah W. Horton.
Providence.....	J. Edward Studley.
Portsmouth	Elbridge I. Stoddard.
Warwick.....	William G. Roelker.
Westerly.... ..	Alexander G. Crumb.
New Shoreham.	Christopher E. Champlin.
North Kingstown.....	William W. Congdon.
South Kingstown.....	Benjamin F. Robinson, Jr.
East Greenwich.....	Henry P. Eldredge.
Jamestown..... ..	Thomas G. Carr.

Smithfield.....	Andrew B. Whipple.
Scituate.....	Byron J. Cowee.
Glocester.....	Howard W. Farnum.
Charlestown	Samuel B. Hoxsie, Jr.
West Greenwich.....	George R. Fiske.
Coventry.....	John Warner.
Exeter.....	Frank E. Dutemple.
Middletown.....	A. Herbert Ward.
Bristol.	George W. Simmons.
Tiverton.....	John R. Hicks.
Little Compton.....	Daniel Wilbur.
Warren.....	Benjamin Drown.
Cumberland.....	Peter J. Gaskin.
Richmond.....	Alfred W. Kenyon.
Cranston.....	Arthur E. Austin.
Hopkinton	Albert S. Babcock.
Johnston.....	Henry C. Luther.
North Providence.....	Nicholas F. Reiner.
Barrington.....	William T. Lewis, Jr.
Foster.....	Thomas R. Drowne.
Burrillville.....	John J. Lace.
East Providence.....	Henry F. Anthony.
Pawtucket	James E. Banigan.
Woonsocket.....	Leroy L. Chilson.
North Smithfield.....	Frederic J. Pitts.
Lincoln.....	Franklin P. Manchester.
Central Falls.....	Edward L. Freeman.

CHARLES P. BENNETT,

Secretary of State, and *ex-officio* Secretary.

EUGENE F. WARNER, Clerk.

J. FRED PARKER, Engrossing Clerk.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE SEVERAL TOWNS.

<i>Newport.</i>	John P. Sanborn,
William P. Sheffield, Jr.,	George E. Vernon,
John H. Wetherell,	John H. Crosby.

Providence.

H. Martin Brown,
 John T. Blodgett,
 Albert Roberts,
 George L. Pierce,
 Harry C. Curtis,
 John L. Remlinger,
 George H. Grant,
 Charles D. Kimball,
 William A. H. Grant,
 Christopher L. Holden,
 James A. Pirce,
 Walter H. Durfee.

Portsmouth.

Henry C. Anthony.

Warwick.

Charles E. Chagnon,
 Francis W. Greene,
 Clarence O. Carpenter,
 Joseph P. Burlingame.

Westerly.

Joseph C. Moore,
 George F. Wells.

New Shoreham.

Ray G. Lewis.

North Kingstown.

Edward S. Hall.

South Kingstown.

George T. Briggs.

East Greenwich.

Nathaniel G. Carpenter.

Jamestown.

John J. Watson, Jr.

Smithfield.

Clarence H. Mathewson.

Scituate.

Edwin C. Carr.

Glocester.

Sayles B. Steere.

Charlestown.

William D. Cross,

West Greenwich.

Elmer J. Rathbun.

Coventry.

Ezra K. Parker.

Exeter.

George L. Barber.

Middletown.

James R. Chase.

Bristol.

Harry H. Shepard.

Tiverton.

George R. Lawton.

Little Compton.

George T. Howard.

Warren.

Samuel L. Peck.

Cumberland.

Michael T. Burnes,

Lucius F. C. Garvin.

Richmond.

Whiting Metcalf.

Cranston.

Walter F. Brayton,

C. Alvin Potter.

Hopkinton.

Elisha C. Stillman.

Johnston.

Theodore S. Hughes.

North Providence.

Sanford E. Kinnecom.

Barrington.

George A. Noble.

Foster.

Clark H. Johnson.

Burrillville.

Francis Fagan.

East Providence.

Stephen S. Rich,

James H. Armington.

Pawtucket.

John J. Fitzgerald,

Edward C. Duffy,
George K. Corrigan,
William W. Blodgett,
Thomas O'Brien,
William H. Salisbury,
Louis H. Beaudry.

Woonsocket.

Albert V. Hicks,
Erwin J. France,
Joseph Bouvier,
Frank E. Holden,

Jean C. Le Blanc.
North Smithfield.

George McKenzie.

Lincoln.

Louis L. Mailhot,
William H. Comstock.

Central Falls.

Oscar A. Newell,
LeRoy Fales,
Eugene B. Ponton.

FRANK E. HOLDEN, *Speaker.*

THOMAS Z. LEE, }
RAYMOND G. MOWRY, } *Clerks,*

J. FRED PARKER, *Engrossing Clerk.*

PROCEEDINGS IN GRAND COMMITTEE.

PROVIDENCE, Wednesday, January 31, 1900.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Justice of the District Court of the Eleventh Judicial District.—Ambrose Choquet of Central Falls, for the unexpired term of Frederick N. Goff, deceased.

PROVIDENCE, Friday, February 9, 1900.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Clerk of the District Court of the Tenth Judicial District.—Lellan J. Tuck of Pawtucket, for the unexpired term of Edward W. Blodgett, resigned.

PROVIDENCE, Thursday, May 3, 1900.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Commissioners of Shell Fisheries.

Providence County.—James M. Wright of Foster.

Bristol County.—Benjamin Drown of Warren.

Kent County.—John H. Northup of Warwick.

Newport County.—Philip H. Wilbour of Little Compton.

Washington County.—Samuel B. Hoxsie, Jr., of Charlestown.

REPORTS MADE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS JANUARY SESSION, 1900.

1. Message of Elisha Dyer, governor of Rhode Island.

2. Sixth annual report of the factory inspectors.

3. Eleventh annual report of the state board of soldiers' relief.

4. Annual report of the general treasurer.

5. Annual report of adjutant-general, quartermaster-general and surgeon-general.

5½. Annual report of the state auditor.

6. Annual report of the railroad commissioner.

7. Thirty-first annual report of the board of state charities and corrections.

8. Annual statement of condition of state banks and trust companies of Rhode Island, and of building loan associations.

9. Report of the board of trustees of the Rhode Island institute for the deaf.

10. Thirtieth annual report of the commissioners of inland fisheries.

11. Annual report of the state sealer of weights, measures, and balances.

12. Thirtieth annual report of the state board of pharmacy.

13. Third annual report of the state record commissioner.

14. Annual report of the license commissioners of the city of Providence.

15. Annual report of the license commissioners of the city of Pawtucket.

16. Annual report of the commissioner of dams and reservoirs.

17. Supplemental report on claims of the state of Rhode Island against the United States for money expended in raising and equipping troops for the war with Spain.

18. Annual report of the license commissioners of the city of Newport.

19. Annual report of the license commissioners of the city of Woonsocket.

20. Fourth annual report of the board of commissioners on uniformity of legislation.

21. Twenty-fourth annual report of the harbor commissioners.

[The foregoing reports are printed in the Appendix.]

Report of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company for the year ending June 30, 1899.

Annual report of city council of the city of Newport of the Touro Jewish Synagogue fund, for the year ending December 30, 1899.

Report of the committee on state charities and corrections for the year 1899.

Report of commission appointed by the general assembly at its May session A. D. 1898, to erect a jail in the city of Newport for the use of Newport county.

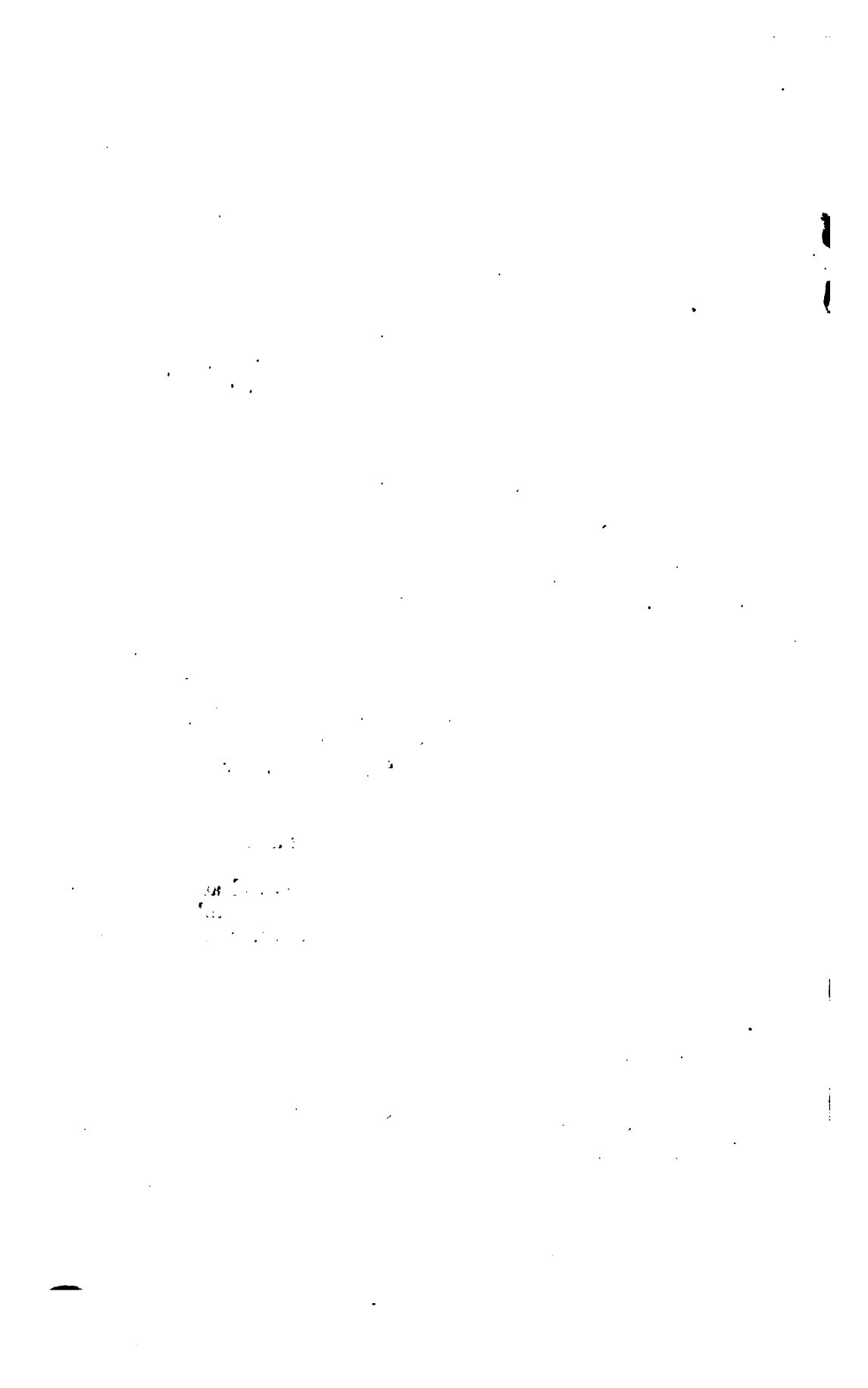
General treasurer's estimate of expenditures and receipts for 1898.

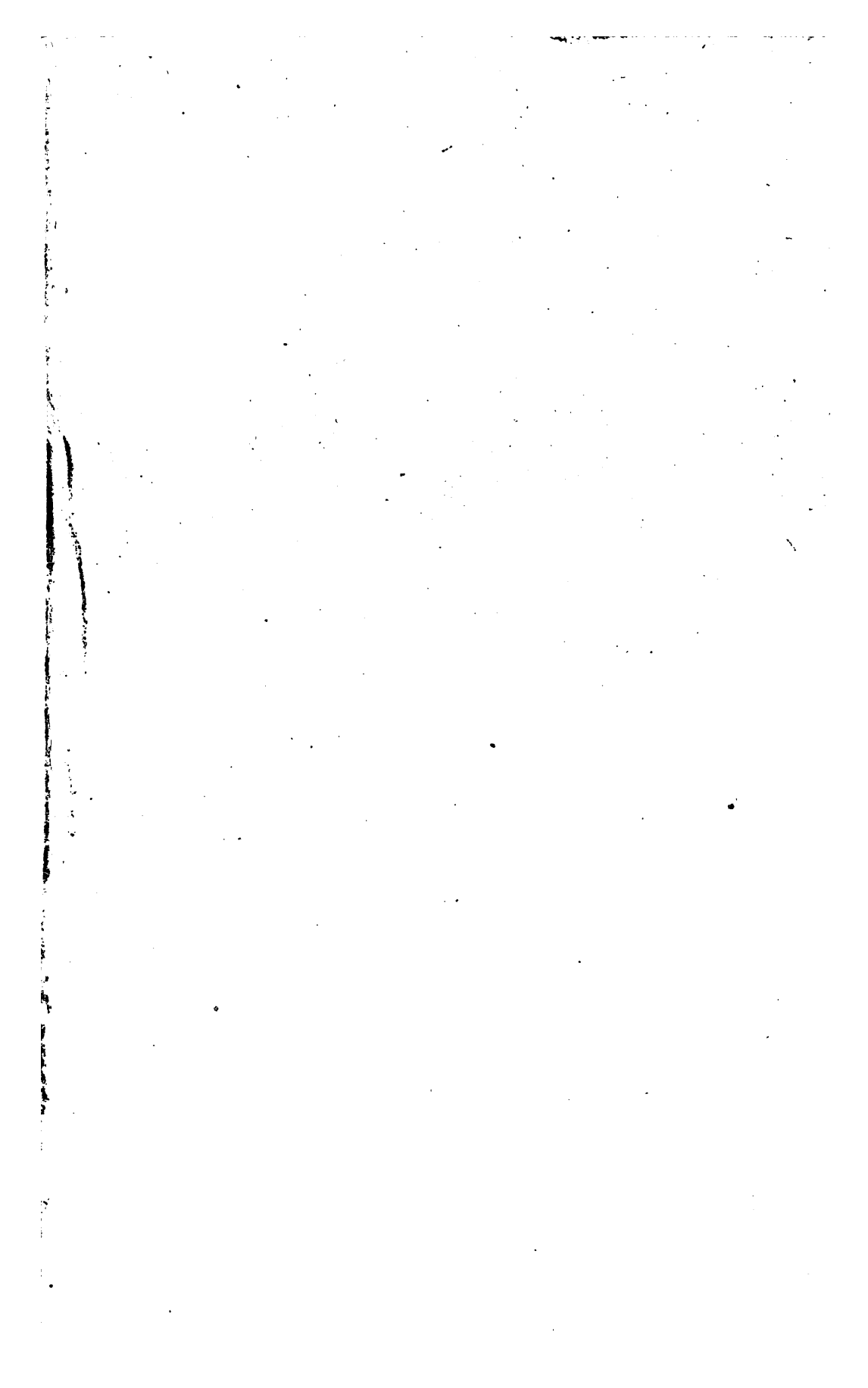
Report of condition of the Workingmen's Loan Association on December 31, 1899.

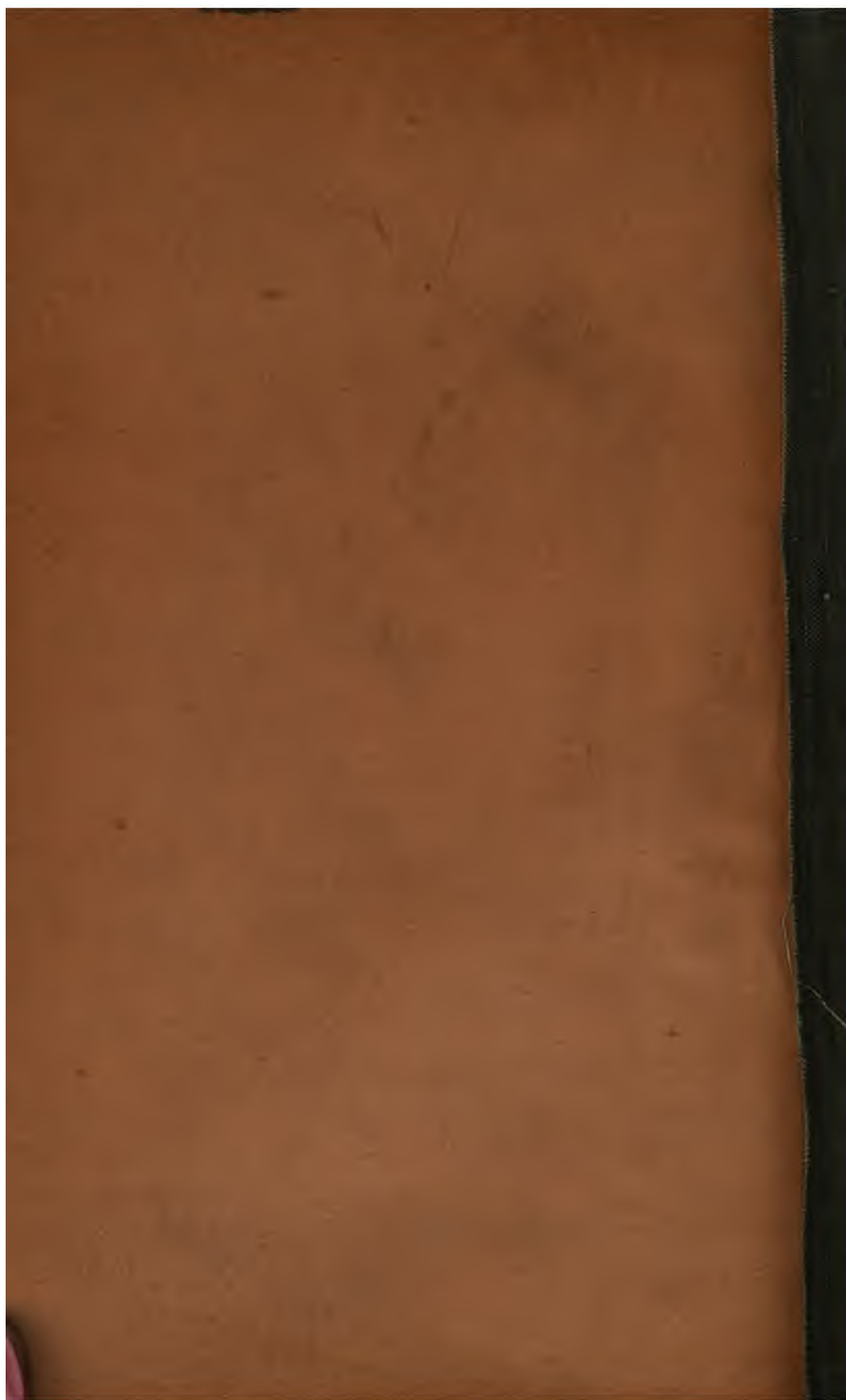
Annual report of the board of control of the state home and school.

Thirtieth annual report of the state board of education.

Thirteenth annual report of the commissioner of industrial statistics.







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